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FUTURE OF COLONIES. A NEW EMPIRE WITHIN THE EMPIRE. "POOLING OUR RESOURCES."

MINIATURE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE OPENS.

The pooling of resources and the evolution of the colonial empire as a separate entity apart from the Dominions and India are being discussed by the miniature Imperial Conference now holding sessions at the Colonial Office in London.

EVERY THREE YEARS.
Unofficials To Be Present In Future.

London, May 10.

Eight British governors, one administrator, three chief secretaries, five colonial secretaries and seven other senior officials, presided over by Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary for Colonies, composed the representation of the miniature Imperial Conference which opened at the Colonial Office to-day.

Mr. W. G. A. Ormsby Gore, Under Secretary for Colonies, and Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary for Colonies, were also present.

Mr. Amery, in welcoming the representatives, referred to the diversity of problems and the absence of structural or administrative unity. Much might be done, he said, by more frequent consultations, closer co-operation and exchange of knowledge and experience, especially in scientific and technical work.

Most of the delegates participated in the general discussion and ex-



Mr. L. M. S. Amery.

pressed appreciation of the efforts by the conference or otherwise to make the colonies more efficient in administration and development. —Reuter.

Unofficial Element.
London, May 10.

The evolution of the colonial Empire as a separate entity apart from the Dominions and India was foreshadowed by Mr. Amery in opening the Colonial Conference, the first act of which was a message of loyal devotion to the King and Queen.

Mr. Amery mentioned that they originally contemplated inviting the unofficial element of certain colonies to participate, but at least for the moment, it had been decided to confine the deliberations to those competent to speak in an official capacity.

Mr. Amery hoped the conference would be held regularly in the future, probably every three years. The afternoon's discussion revealed approval for the suggestion that the premier officers of the Colonial Office visit the colonies periodically, that members of the Colonial Office staff tour the colonies early in their careers; and that colonial service members during furlough should be attached to the Colonial Office. —Reuter.

Deadening Ambition.
Rugby, May 10.

In a speech at the Colonial Conference, Mr. Amery said that the principle of autonomy and self-sufficiency could be carried so far. Watertight compartments inevitably led to stagnation. Even on the purely administrative side, local knowledge and interest might be bought too dearly by lack of opportunities for fresh ideas or by limitations to promotion which would deaden initiative and ambition.

The disadvantages were even greater when one came to deal with all the varied aspects of administration which had been increasing in colonial work of recent years—matters of scientific method and research, and problems of agriculture, veterinary science, health and transport.

System of Exchange.
In these matters, much broader co-operation; a much more effective interchange of information, and closer working together, were required. In some matters, such as a system of exchange and co-operation might be most effectively developed in groups of

colonies which were geographically or otherwise close to each other, and had kindred problems.

In many other respects it was over the whole field of the colonial empire that co-operation and interchange were required. He did not believe, however, that the problem was to be solved by administrative reconstruction, either of the colonial empire as a whole or except in particular local circumstances by larger federal schemes.

Solution of the Problem.
The solution to his mind was to be found rather in the development of that system of consultation by conference which has been found so effective in promoting unity of thought and action in relationship between Great Britain and the Dominions.

Apart from any specific solutions which might be reached, he felt confident that an exchange of ideas would be of enormous benefit. Not only would representatives of the colonies gain, but the Colonial Office should itself gain even more from their first-hand experience.

He thought it would be found worth while—indeed, almost necessary—to hold similar conferences in the future, say at intervals of three years, intervening between the Imperial Conferences.

The subject of outstanding importance before the conference was science and scientific research, in view of the immense undeveloped resources of the colonies which science alone could bring to rapid development.

"Pooling Our Resources."
Mr. Amery emphasised that notably in this field a wider outlook and more effective system of interchange and intercourse were needed.

He mentioned that colonies offering the greatest opportunity for some particular form of research and colonies whose existence was largely dependent on the solution of some research problem were in many cases those which could least afford to offer the salary or the career that would attract the best men.

Nor was interest in results confined to any one colony. Anything that solved the problem of animal or plant disease in Trinidad was of immense value, not only to the rest of the West Indies, but to the whole of Africa, to Ceylon and the Eastern colonies.

Mr. Amery concluded: "I am sure the case for pooling our resources sufficiently to create some sort of unified service, at any rate in the higher research grades of scientific and technical work, is one to which we ought to give the fullest and most earnest consideration." —British Wireless Service.

[The following are among the representatives of the colonies. Territories attending the Colonial Office Conference in May:—Malay States: Mr. R. O. Winstedt, Director of Education; Straits Settlements: Mr. H. Marriott, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary; Hong Kong: Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, Second Assistant Colonial Secretary.]

HOTEL BATHROOM THEFT.

Mr. Gutzwiller, residing in Room No. 2, Kowloon Hotel, has reported that his wife left two gold rings valued \$250 in the bath room at 9.30 a.m., yesterday. When she returned for them half an hour later they were gone.

MOTOR CYCLE STOLEN.

Lieut. Keen of the Air Force, stationed in Kowloon City, had his motor cycle No. 105 stolen from the lobby of the Star Theatre during the evening performance last night.

Alleged to have attempted to commit suicide by swallowing opium, a Chinese woman living on the first floor of No. 6, Poyan Street, is now in the hospital in a serious condition.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 8/16.

TORNADO HAVOC.

Big Buildings Go Like Paper.

TREES HURLED INTO AIR.

New York, May 10.

Including the casualties mentioned earlier at Polar Bluffs, 150 have been killed and a thousand people injured by the tornadoes in the Middle West and South West.

The death dealing blast shot across Arkansas like a bullet from a gun.

Large buildings crumpled up like paper and trees were uprooted and hurled into the air.

Red Cross workers are arranging relief. —Reuter's American Service.

ROYAL TOUR.
The Duke and Duchess Leave Canberra.

Canberra, May 10.

The Duke and Duchess of York have departed to rejoin the "Renown" at Melbourne. —Reuter.

ing relief. —Reuter's American Service.

Earlier Messages.
Polar Bluffs, Mo., May 10.

One hundred people were killed and 250 injured in a tornado which swept the business quarter

ONLY ONE STOP.

D'Oisy To Fly From Paris to Saigon.

Paris, May 10.

Captain Pelletier d'Oisy is planning to fly to Saigon on Thursday or Friday, with only



one halt, which will be India. —Reuter.

[Captain d'Oisy made a record flight from Paris to Shanghai, where his machine crashed in taking off for Japan. He continued his flight to Tokyo later in another machine.]

of the town, destroying almost every building in an area of 200 yards wide and 300 yards long. No business premises were undamaged.

Property losses are estimated at over a million dollars. The city was in darkness last night and the cries of the injured could be heard on all sides. —Reuter's American Service.

Fifty-five Killed.
New York, May 10.

The death toll in the storms is fifty-five. —Reuter's American Service.

BOSTON SURPRISE.

\$60,000 WORTH OF OPIUM IN SUITCASE.

Boston, May 10.

A suitcase carried by a member of the crew leaving a British vessel just arrived after a long voyage when examined was found to contain \$60,000 worth of prepared opium.

Customs officials, who searched the ship, believe they have frustrated the activities of a large ring engaged in smuggling opium to New York's Chinatown. —Reuter's American Service.

WEATHER FORECAST.

N.E. winds, moderate; overcast, occasional rain. Is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Metereological observations at 6 a.m. to-day: Barometer, 29.91; temperature, 69; humidity, 99; wind E. force 4.

REDS ON THE RUN

KIUKIANG CLEARED OF COMMUNISTS.

SHANGHAI CURFEW LIFTED.

SOUTH RETAKES ANKING FROM NORTH.

Latest naval wireless messages from the North report another defeat for the Reds, the Southerners, it is stated, having driven the Communist Army out of Kiukiang. The Southerners are also reported to have retaken Anking. Owing to the return to normal, the Shanghai curfew has now been lifted.

THE TIDE OF WAR.
The North's Advance Into Hupeh.

Shanghai, May 10.

Owing to the situation returning more to normal, the curfew has been lifted. (The curfew when first imposed during the first crisis was for nine o'clock but was later changed to eleven.)

The Southerners are reported to have driven the Communist Army out of Kiukiang and it is also stated that they have retaken Anking from the Northerners.

It is rumoured that the Northern invaders from Fengtien (i.e., those under Marshal Chang Tso-lin, of Peking) have advanced into the province of Hupeh (Hankow territory). —British Naval Wireless.

Coming Clash.
Wuhu, May 10.

A clash is expected between the Northern and Nationalist Armies on the line running from Liu-an-chow to Lake Hohow, where both armies have taken up positions.

Fighting was yesterday reported at Yuntsoo.

The Southern 10th Army has advanced from Anking. —British Naval Wireless.

Hankow Quiet.
Hankow, May 10.

There is no change in the situation. —British Naval Wireless.

Yangtze Firing.
Nanking, May 10.

Gunfire and rifle fire took place across the river yesterday. —British Naval Wireless.

Troops For Amoy.
Swatow, May 10.

The Chinese owned steamer "Yuan-Lee," which brought troops from Amoy to support the anti-Reds against the advance of the Communist troops has again been commandeered and is proceeding for more troops to Amoy.

The Reds are reported to have been dispersed at Puning.

Chao Yang and Hwei Lai districts are reported quiet.

Some 600 troops have been moved up the river from Swatow in the past 48 hours. —British Naval Wireless.

SHANGHAI DEFENCE.

The Cost of the Force Again Raised.

London, May 10.

The matter of the expenses of the Shanghai Defence Force was raised in the House of Commons by Col. J. C. Wedgwood (Labour) and Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) with the object of obtaining a contribution locally or from the Powers interested in the retention of the forces.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated that he was not prepared to approach the British community in China when they were suffering more anxiety than any other class of British subjects. Obviously we had no power to levy a charge on the foreign community.

Rents for the Army.
With regard to rents for the quarters utilised by the troops at Shanghai he did not doubt that Sir L. Worthington Evans, Secretary for War, was continually enquiring with a view to ascertaining that the prolonged occupation was not charged for at emergency rates.

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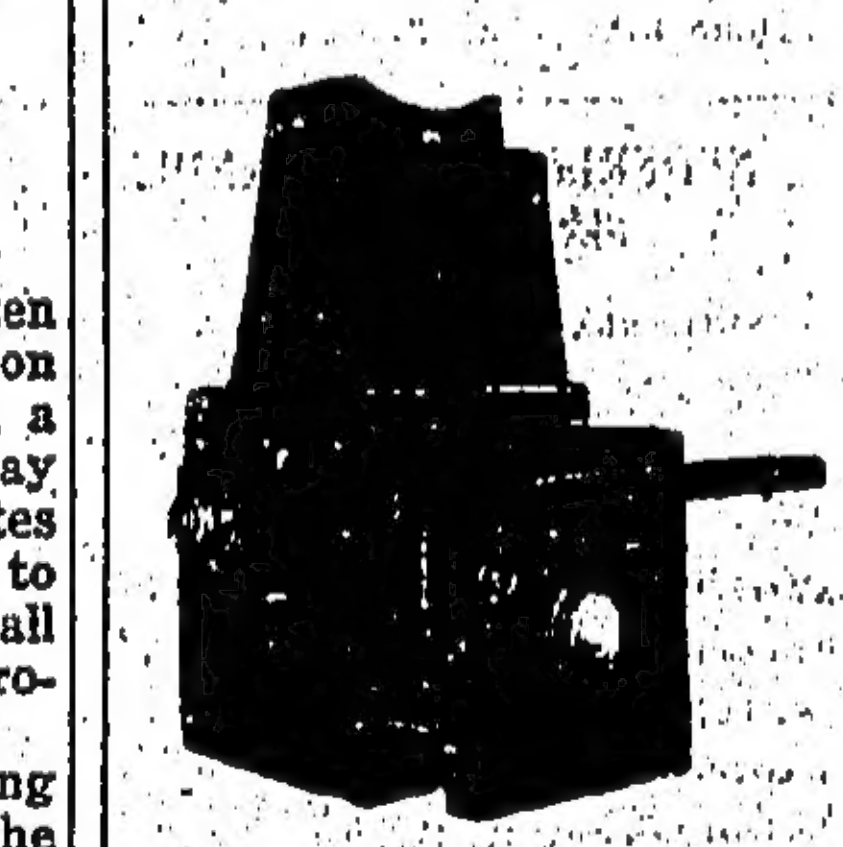
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Mainland	
Taimoshan	8124
Yuenlong Peak	1971

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, May 14th, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended December 31st, 1926; to confirm the appointment of Two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 11th MAY, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, May 2nd, 1927.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

To Shareholders & Others Holding Powers of Attorney.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in Pursuance of Article 81 of the Articles of Association all Powers of Attorney under which any shareholder intends to vote on the Poll to be held at the Registered Office of the Company on the 18th instant must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than forty-eight hours before the time for holding of such Poll notwithstanding that such Powers of Attorney have already been produced to and noted by the Company.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1927.
By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.

HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS will be held on MONDAY, the 16th MAY, 1927, at 4 O'CLOCK in the CITY HALL, HONG KONG, to nominate a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council for the usual term of four years, in succession to the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard. This nomination becomes necessary as the Hon. Mr. Bernard will in future remain a member of the Legislative Council as appointed by His Excellency the Governor.

Notice in writing of the Names of Candidates and their Proposers and Secondors to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,
M. F. KEY,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th May, 1927.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 17th May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th May, 1927, both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 26th April, 1927.

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ROMANCE IN PERFUMES.

SECRETS OF THE PARIS SCENT TRADE.

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The perfumery business just opened in Paris, in which the ex-Shah of Persia is stated to have a financial interest, is housed in a shop built of marble, with cunningly-arranged lighting, which provides the necessary exotic, Oriental setting.

French scent manufacture, which from the twelfth century had been centred in Grasse, in the south, received a severe blow when the British Government increased the import tax on perfume, but the trade has now recovered, and is booming.

British scent manufacturers still import from France, but in order to overcome tariff difficulties, they only import desiccated essence, and manufacture the finished product in England.

The city of Grasse, with its terraced flowerbeds, is one of the most romantic towns in France, and for many years the ex-Czarina of Russia had roses specially grown there for her in order to provide her own brand of scent.

Harvesting of the flowers continues almost throughout the year. It is violet time now in Grasse; the season for violets begins in February and ends in April.

Jasmine Season.
The jasmine season is the longest, because it begins in July and does not land before the middle of October.

Hyacinths, and jonquils are picked in March and April, and orange blossoms and roses provide perfume in May and June.

Carnations and mignonette—a favourite scent in England—are also picked in enormous quantities in June. The flowers are used in the Grasse distilleries, where it is said the annual production is 2,000 tons of roses, 1,500 tons of jasmine, 2,500 tons of orange blossoms, and great quantities of mimosa, violets, carnations, and mignonette.

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A Sharp Watch.

British Customs officials have to keep a sharp watch for scent smugglers coming from France, and officials at Victoria Station, London, tell of innocent looking trunks full of clothes but with false bottoms, in which scent is concealed. Scent is also smuggled into England in vacuum flasks and medicine bottles. These are but two of the methods known to the Customs. Watch is now being kept for a young Englishman who last year frequently drove a high-powered motor-car from Paris to Le Touquet.

He spent a couple of days there and then drove to Boulogne or Calais, took the motor-car in his ship across the Channel, and drove to London. It is now known that the motor-car was provided with what, ostensibly, were extra petrol tanks, but the "petrol" contained therein was immense quantities of eau de Cologne.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 4th to May 20th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, April 26th, 1927.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 4th to May 20th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
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Hong Kong, April 26th, 1927.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 4th to May 20th, both days inclusive.

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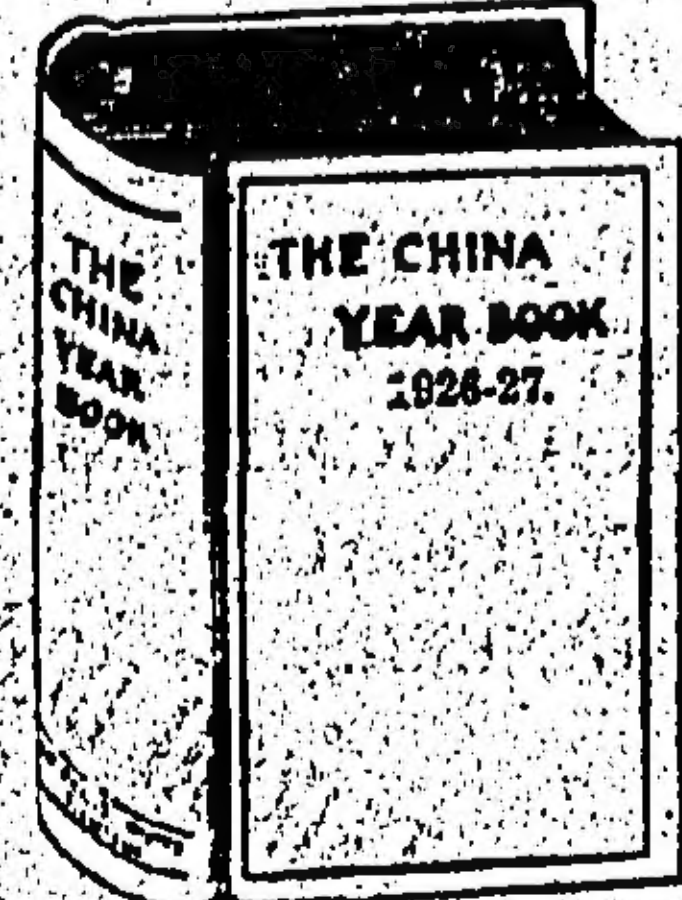
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3. Tender Form, Specification and contract conditions may be obtained on application at the office of the Locomotive Superintendent, Federated Malay States Railways, Sentul, during usual office hours (Saturdays & Sundays excepted).

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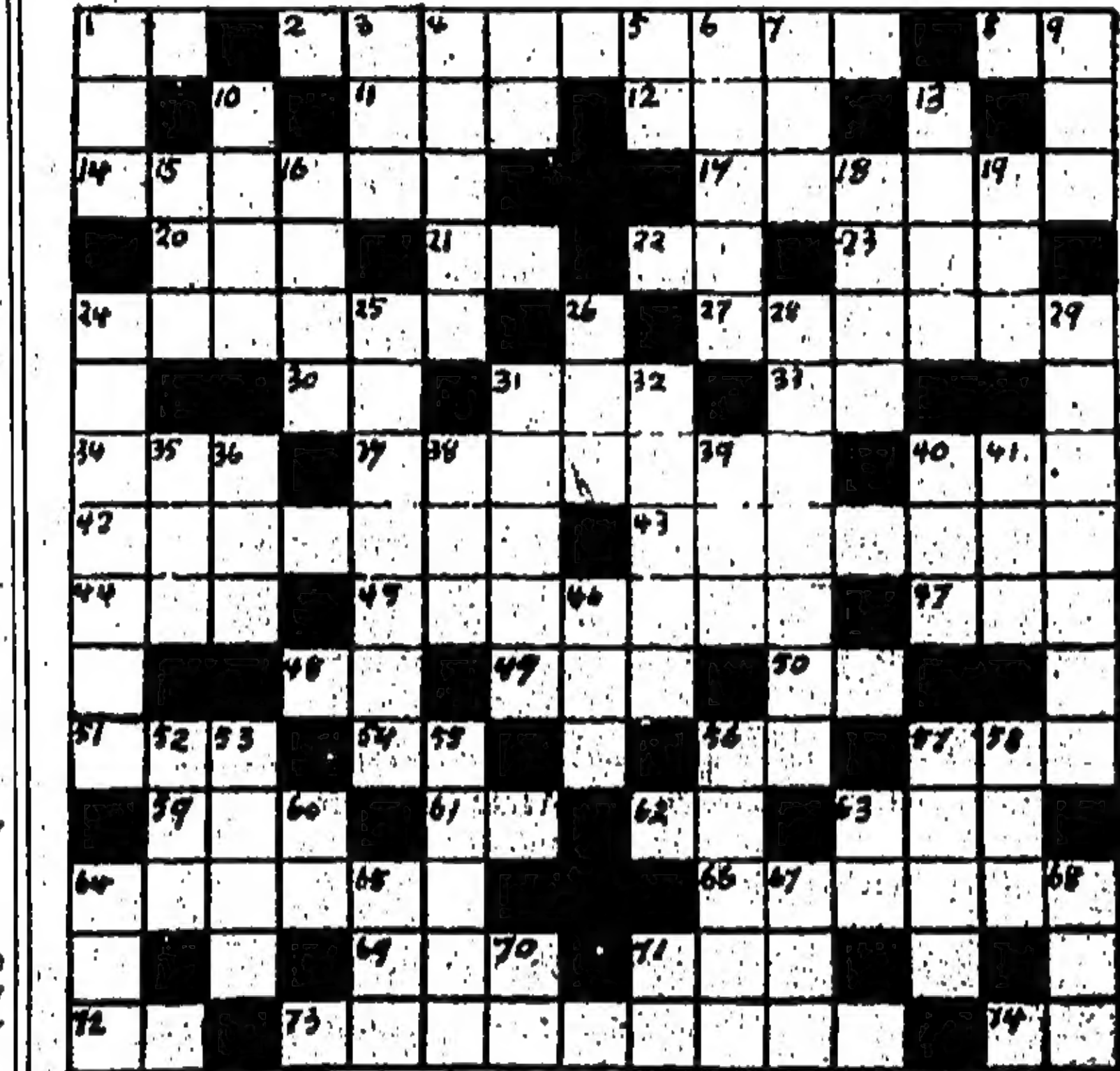
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Name

Address

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

CLOSING DATE FOR COUPONS, MONDAY, MAY 16.

[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

- | Across. | Down. |
|--|---|
| 1. Never. | 1. Born. |
| 2. Bird of the grouse family. | 2. Man's name (diminutive). |
| 3. Compass point. | 3. To make ashamed. |
| 4. A species of witchcraft. | 4. Impersonal or neuter pronoun. |
| 5. A prefix signifying three. | 5. To grumble. |
| 6. An obscure saying. | 6. A tune. |
| 7. Decorated. | 7. A wave. |
| 8. A lyric poem. | 8. Time; season. |
| 9. Very. | 9. A kind of hemp. |
| 10. Mixed type. | 10. A negative connective or particle. |
| 11. To weary. | 11. Goods; riches. |
| 12. To deliver or pronounce. | 12. Something small and pointed (plural). |
| 13. A stringed instrument used by the ancient Hebrews. | 13. T. K. U. (actual). |
| 14. San God. | 14. To make known. |
| 15. For an indefinite time. | 15. Have. |
| 16. S. S. (actual). | 16. To guide. |
| 17. To extend. | 17. Lends aid. |
| 18. Venerated. | 18. A disease among cattle. |
| 19. Shire in Scotland. | 19. The herb bennet. |
| 20. Absolute stinest. | 20. To draw conclusions. |
| 21. Luster. | 21. Consanguinity. |
| 22. That which is left. | 22. Old age. |
| 23. Tempered by heat. | 23. E. C. N. (actual). |
| 24. E. T. A. (actual). | 24. Measure of length. |
| 25. Religious denomination (abbrev.) | 25. Consumed. |
| 26. A doll. | 26. Over and above. |
| 27. T. A. (actual). | 27. A period of time. |
| 28. A number. | 28. To be aware. |
| 29. Hebrew God. | 29. Gumbo. |
| 30. M. S. (actual). | 30. A rope with a noose. |
| 31. Hastened. | 31. More important. |
| 32. A Turkish arrow (plural). | 32. A perch. |
| 33. A dot. | 33. Entirely. |
| 34. P. A. (actual). | 34. Compass point. |
| 35. The sun. | 35. S. M. (actual). |
| 36. Scatter. | 36. To trespass. |
| 37. A quaint piece of machinery. | 37. A hare. |
| 38. An ancient name of a gum. | 38. Yes. |
| 39. A roadblock. | 39. Just title or claim. |
| 40. Compass point. | 40. Indefinite article. |
| 41. A distemper in hawks. | 41. Same as 48 Across. |
| 42. Compass point. | |

Clue 39 across was given on Monday as "An ancient name of a gum." This should be "An ancient name of a GUM," as corrected above.
Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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Yet another junk piracy, the third within the past week, was reported at 12.30 p.m., yesterday on the arrival in port of an Aberdeen fishing junk.

According to the master, the junk left Samchamel, in Chinese waters, for Aberdeen at 7 a.m. on May 2. When passing the Nine Pins Group at 3 p.m., the following day they were chased by a pirate boat coming from the direction of North Nine Pins. The smaller boat overtook the junk rapidly, and soon the master's fears were confirmed when he saw eleven men armed with rifles and revolvers on board the stranger. When they were within range, the pirates called upon the unarmed fishing junk to lower sail and stop. This order was obeyed without delay because the pirates threatened to shoot and fully meant to do so if the order were disregarded.

Six armed men boarded the junk and took fishing nets, clothing and jewellery worth \$225. Before leaving the pirates smashed the steering gear and cast the helm adrift. The fishing junk drifted helplessly for several hours before she was picked up by a trading junk and taken in tow to Aberdeen.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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"TASMAN" AGROUND.

HITS CORAL REEF IN TORRES STRAIT.

Batavia, May 2.

The Royal Packet Company's steamer "Tasman" is aground on a Coral reef near Cleare Island, 130 miles off Thursday Island.

The ship is damaged, but passengers and cargo are safe.

The steamer "van der Wyck" is leaving Batavia this evening to render assistance.

It is further planned to requisition a tug from Java or Sydney as no aid is available in the neighbourhood.

An attempt will be made to tranship cargo and thereafter to refloat the ship.

The "Tasman" is a steamer of 5,014 tons on the regular run between Singapore and Australia. At the time of the mishap she was on her way to Australia from Batavia.

Capt. Classen, who is in command, has been a popular captain in the K.P.M. service for many years. Formerly he was on the run between Singapore and Batavia, and he has been in command of the "Tasman" for the last two years.

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G. H. Connolly, one of the paid-off members of the "President Grant" staff of the "President Grant" was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with having been drunk and disorderly in Praya East yesterday afternoon.

Sergt. Hopkins said he was called into a barber's shop and was shown a chair which was said to have been damaged by a "drunk." The man was not there at the time but the sergeant came upon him in the street. He was taken back to the shop and identified there.

Accused who did not deny the charge, offered to pay \$1 but refused to give \$2. Perhaps because he did not have any more money. He had spent a whole night in jail and the prosecution did not press the charge against him.

Accused who said he was awaiting transportation back to "Frisco" was fined \$5.

WIDENING THE TEES.

The Tees Conservancy Commission has adopted a scheme for widening and deepening the channel of the River Tees, so as to make it capable of accommodating the largest liners afloat. The scheme involves the estimated expenditure of over half a million pounds, and will take five or six years to complete.

The Chairman (Sir Hugh Bell) stated that the project in no way precluded the construction of the new Tees million pound dock, which the L. and N.E.R. also have in contemplation. On the contrary, he was sanguine enough to believe that in ten or fifteen years' time they would be considering further improvements in the local facilities for shipping.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The P. and O. s.s. "Nellore" left Shanghai for this port yesterday, at noon, and is due here on May 13, at about 6 a.m.

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EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 13	July 16	July 19	July 22	July 25
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 15
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 5
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 26
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CELEBES MARU Thursday, 19th May.

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CHICAGO MARU Tuesday, 31st May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

TACOMA MARU Friday, 27th May.

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KOHO MARU Tuesday, 24th May.

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KASHMIR	8,085	11th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,946	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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The usual weekly meetings of members of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, held in Liverpool and at the branch offices had special interest by reason of the several important subjects affecting the profession that were discussed.

These included questions of pay and the general welfare of the service. The need for more generous provision of navigational aids, such as wireless direction finding stations, was specially emphasised, comparisons being made between the go-ahead policy of competitive maritime nations to the detriment of the country, it being felt that the delay by establishing stations was a blot on our supremacy afloat.

At the Southampton meeting, attended by the general secretary, the subject of two-watch ships, excited animated discussion, the efforts of the association to secure reform being heartily endorsed by those present.

Regarding wireless direction finding stations, further interest will be evinced by the reply of the President of the Board of Trade in the House of Commons when he was asked the number of direction finding stations now in existence around the coast of the British Isles.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister stated:—

"There are four direction finding stations now in operation available to give bearings to ships. These are the Post Office stations at Cultercoats, Flamborough, and Niton, and the Admiralty Station at Lizard. The Post Office have in hand the fitting of certain other stations with direction finding apparatus, and if the conditions prove on trial to be satisfactory these stations will be available to give bearings to ships."

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ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the "President Grant" on May 10 from Manila, were:—Rev. P. Calada, Mr. I. De La Rosa, Mr. L. De La Cruz, Rev. B. Fontedra, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Goldin, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Purcell, Rev. R. Rodrigo, Miss K. Ruskino, Mr. S. Yu Singco, Mr. Pei Jiu Tich, Mr. H. G. Q. Wales, Mr. See Yum.

Hong Kong passengers arrived on May 10 by the "President Garfield" from Kobe and Shanghai were:—Mr. Chow Lun-po, Mr. Chung Wing-kwong, Capt. S. C. Dildine, Mr. C. A. Gile, Mr. Denis H. Hazell, Mr. Low Shun-tung, Mr. S. Shum, Mr. R. C. Stoops, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Swan, Mr. Wai Woh-chou, Miss B. Worley, Mrs. Wu Lucy, Lt. Yeh Teng-yin, Mrs. Yue Chung-tsing.

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Passengers sailed from Hong Kong on May 10 by the s.s. "D'Artagnan" for Shanghai and Yokohama were:—Mr. Pietri, Mr. and Mrs. Noinco, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Charlot, Mr. Archawski, Mrs. E. Portaria, Mrs. A. Portaria, Mr. E. Danner.

Passengers sailed from Hong Kong on May 10 by the s.s. "Chenonceaux" for Saigon, Singapore, Colombo and Marseilles were:—Mr. H. L. Carson, Miss R. Canjoin, Miss R. F. da Cruz, Miss C. da Cruz, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. H. F. McNair, Mr. A. Gilliam, Rev. Fr. Gerey, Mr. Enok, Mr. F. L. Silva, Mrs. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. E. Ward, Mr. C. E. Godelius, Sister Gertrude, Sister Mathilde, Sister Gertrude, Sister Camille, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard, Mrs. Cassa, Miss F. A. dos Santos, Mr. and Mrs. A. Trigo, Mr. A. Valentini, Mr. M. K. Engel, Mr. Girardot, Sister Clelia Martinelli, Miss I. Pham, Mr. Trambitsky, Mr. V. Sebastiao, Mr. G. Laugier, Mr. M. Rahlmann, Mr. G. Lepin, Mr. T. A. Mahtani, Mr. K. Assomai, Mr. Lo In-nin, Mr. Lai Shing-hing, Mr. Wing Keng-po.

Passengers sailed from Hong Kong on May 10 by the "President Grant" for Seattle via Shanghai were:—

Mr. D. N. Masters, Rev. and Mrs. W. V. Higgins, Miss M. Wallace, Miss F. Justin, Mrs. W. E. Ellason, Mrs. G. W. Davies, Miss C. McCreery, Mr. K. Srihishai, Mr. S. L. Reed, Mr. K. Srihishai, Mr. S. Vanjaichana, Mr. Phra Tarun, Mr. Phra Abban, Mr. Quong Cohn-siu, Mrs. Louis Shee, Mr. Lam Koo-chong, Mr. Pui-man Lee, Mr. Lui Wai-tung, Mr. S. S. Beltz, Mr. C. Honking, Mr. Wong Tak-yu, Mr. J. H. Hearn, Mr. J. J. Hegarthy, Mr. C. H. Lynott, Mrs. A. G. Tinney, Mr. T. F. Wen, Mr. D. M. Ross, Mrs. R. M. Ross, Miss Ross, Mr. W. K. Chun, Mr. W. J. Wen, Mr. L. S. Lissiansky, Mr. T. L. Wong, Mr. Nai-ching Ho.

First-class passengers who left Hong Kong for New York via ports on the s.s. "President Garfield" on May 11, were:—Mrs. K. S. Bobzien, Miss K. S. Bobzien, Lt. D. Chandler, Mr. I. Delbourgo, Capt. E. H. Dignowity, Mr. A. Generoso, Mr.

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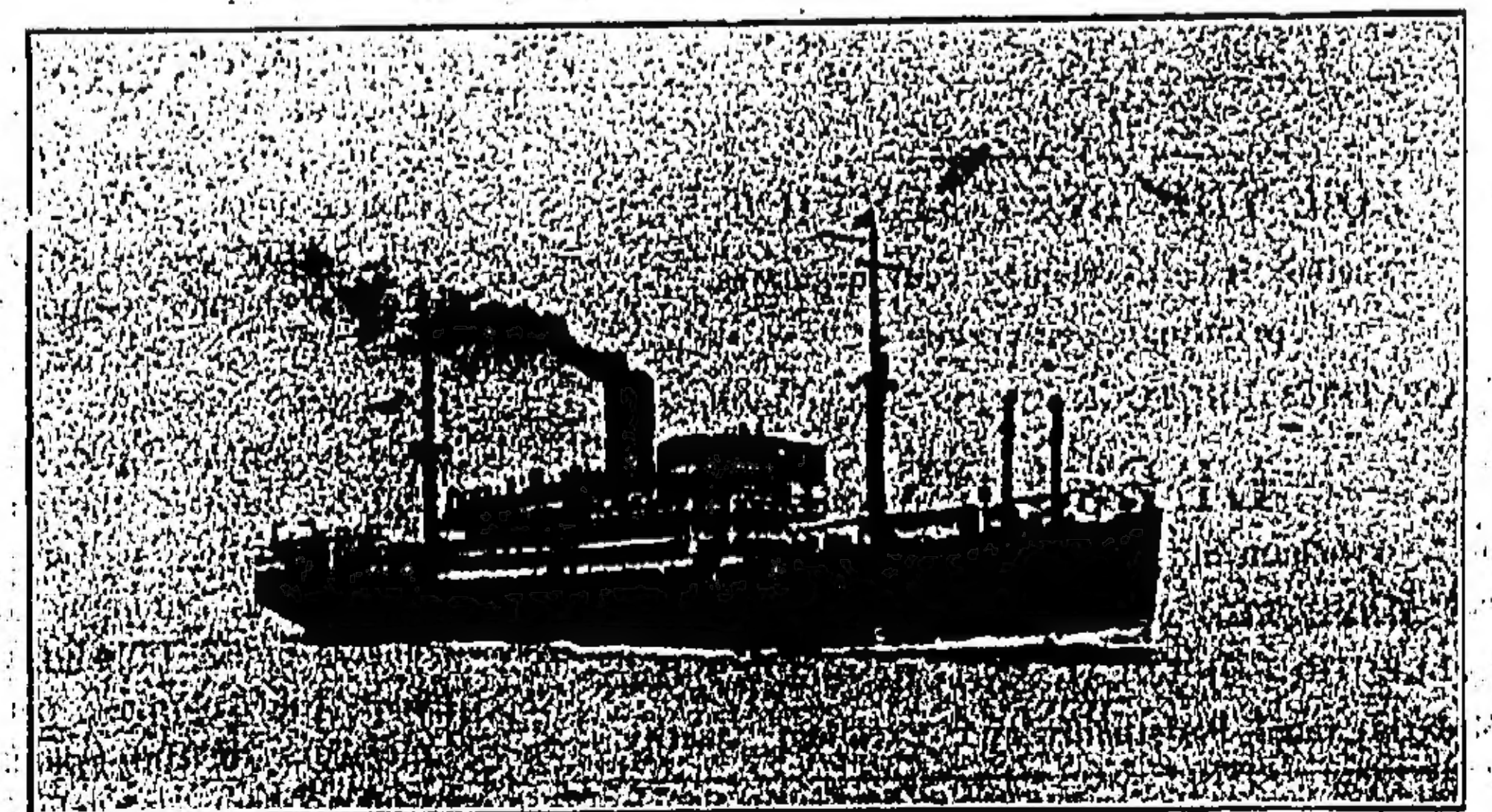
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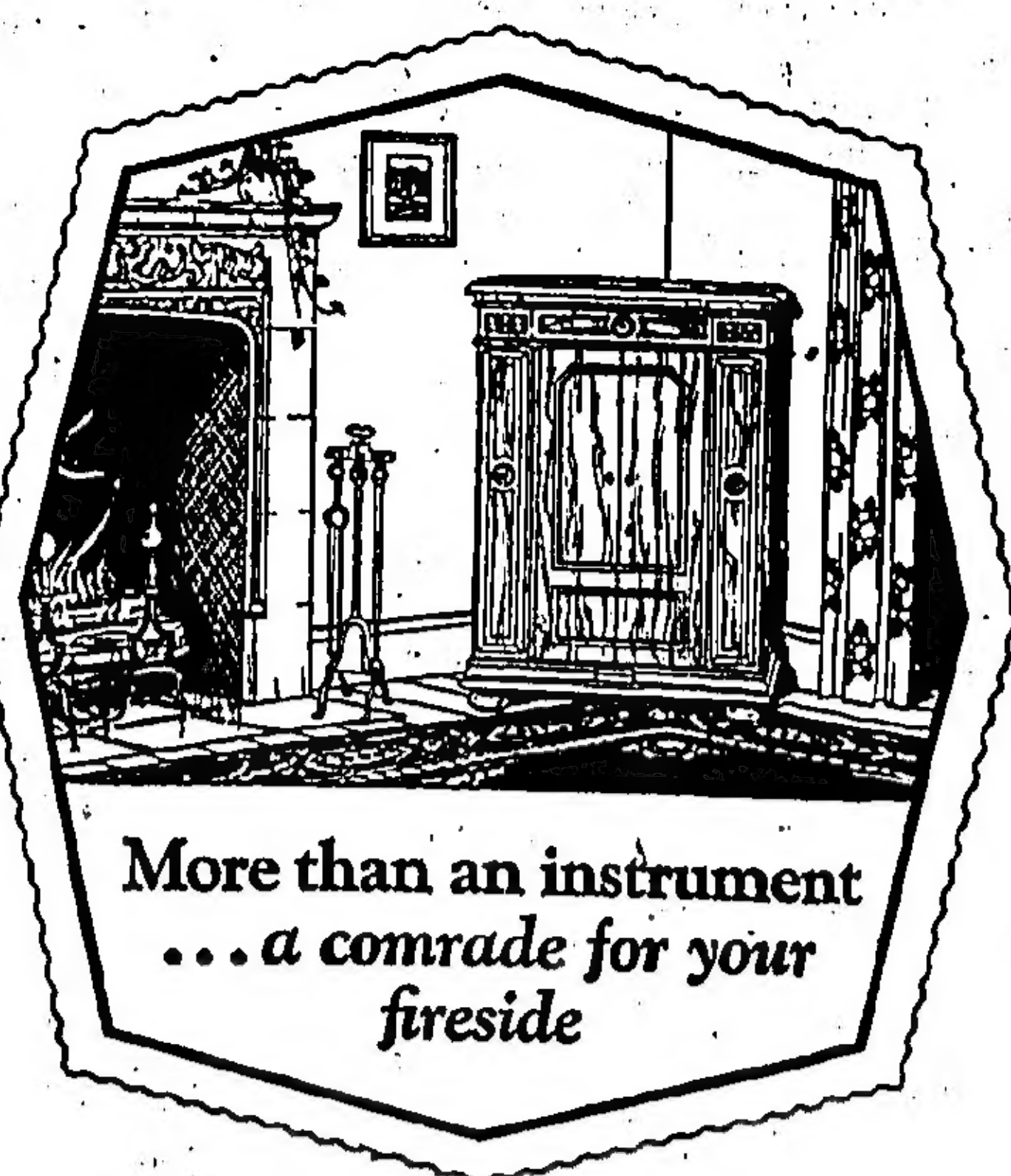
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"POOLING OUR RESOURCES."

Historians were wont to liken colonies to fruit which ripened and dropped off the tree, pointing to Britain's loss of America as an example. But whatever mistakes Britain may have made in the past she does not intend to make any in the future. Already as a result of the last Imperial Conference in London she has taken steps which have removed all grounds for jealousy and friction among the Dominions and has made the intangible bonds of Empire stronger than ever. Now she is turning to the colonies. The "miniature Imperial Conference" which opened in London at the Colonial Office yesterday is of the first importance. As the Secretary of State for Colonies pointed out, the colonies have a great many problems in common, and much can be done, as Mr. Amery added, by more frequent consultations, closer co-operation and exchange of knowledge and experience, especially in scientific and technical work. Much also can be done if the suggestion made during yesterday's discussions is adopted for senior officers of the Colonial Office to visit the colonies periodically, members of the Colonial Office staff to tour the colonies early in their careers and colonial service members during furlough to be attached to the Colonial Office. Such measures as these can only have the best results in bringing the authorities at home and the men on the spot

into closer touch. If the "miniature Imperial Conference" achieves no more than that it will have achieved a great deal. But its work is certain to go a great deal further. Indeed its greatest value will be as a milestone in the evolution of the colonial empire, as a separate entity apart from the Dominions and India—in time a smaller Commonwealth of Nations within the greater. Mr. Amery is right when he sees the future of the colonies, not in administrative reconstruction, either of the colonial empire as a whole or in larger federal schemes, but in the development of that system of consultation by conference which has been found so effective in promoting unity of thought and action between the Motherland and the Dominions. The strongest bonds are often those which seem the loosest. So it has been proved with the Dominions. So too will it be proved with the Colonies.

Cost of Shanghai Defence.

Some of the Labour members in the House of Commons are still worrying over the cost of the Shanghai Defence Force and wondering who is to meet the bill. It is not enough for them that the Force arrived in Shanghai in the nick of time to avert a holocaust compared with which the Boxer riots would have been insignificant. They are not satisfied with the saving of a few thousand British lives, which would have been at the mercy of the defeated rabble and the victorious Nationalists—troops as well as mobs—had it not been for the presence on the spot of the Forces from the British Empire. Now they are querying the cost, fearful lest they, as insignificant units amongst the British ratepayers at home, will be called upon for indirect contributions. It is senseless and illogical to talk of a contribution from the residents of Shanghai, and no less absurd to think of asking the other Powers to send along their mite. The Labourites might as well ask the British Government to share the cost of the civil war in Nicaragua or the expenses of the appeal of foreigners against the Mexican petroleum laws. They obviously fail to see that the sending out to China of a force in such numbers was purely a British affair, undertaken solely for the purpose of protecting British lives and property and of conserving British trade interests. That is the *raison d'être* of the British Navy and the British Army. Therefore, it must follow that the costs must be borne by the Imperial Government. But no mat-

ter what the costs come to they cannot possibly be weighed against the magnificent results achieved at a moment when anti-foreign feeling in China was much more acute than it is to-day. He would be a craven who would dare to haggle over the price of saving even one British life!

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ENJOYABLE FUNCTIONS.

Two concerts for the Services took place last night under the aegis of the Y.M.C.A., one at the "Cheer O" (Chatter Road) and the other at the "Better Ole" (Peking Road, Kowloon).

The concert at the Hong Kong branch was under the guidance of Mrs. Costen, an indefatigable worker for Service men, and a pleasing feature was the number of Service men who took part. Local artists who contributed to an excellent programme were Mrs. R. Sanger, Mr. H. B. L. Dowling and Mrs. Margel.

A most enjoyable time was also spent at the Kowloon depot where a varied and interesting programme had been arranged by Miss O'Keefe, together with the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee and other local artists.

Miss O'Keefe's pupils delighted the audience with some pleasing and clever items and others who took part were no less successful, the large audience of Service men—there were from 250 to 300 present—showing their appreciation in the continued applause and encores.

Those contributing were: the Lyric Orchestra, Mr. R. Sutherland, Misses Dorothy Tolan and Betty Pestonji, Mrs. G. E. Robson, Miss Lorna Tolan, Mr. O. Eger, Misses Margery Simpson and Byron Byrne, Mr. T. G. Paterson, Misses B. Clemon, A. Tolan, and G. Smith, the accompanist being Mr. G. Grimble.

PIRACY SEQUEL.

STOLEN PIGS IN HONG KONG?

Pigs which were said to have formed part of the booty of a piracy figured in a case heard at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon before Mr. W. Schofield. Eight Chinese were charged with receiving 40 pigs knowing them to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained outside the waters of the Colony on April 24.

Mr. A. E. Hall prosecuted while the accused were represented by Mr. Hin Shing Lo.

According to Mr. Hall, these 40 pigs formed one of three consignments shipped in junks on April 19 from Hoiung district to Hong Kong. The lot in question was the last to leave Hoiung, but all three junks kept in touch with each other during the voyage. On the following morning the second junk heard gun firing and on investigation saw that the third junk was being attacked by pirates. The other two junks made all possible speed to Hong Kong and reported the piracy.

On April 2 a man employed by the Kwong On Yuen firm of Hong Kong, the consignee of the pigs, was passing a shop in Sapsamhong when he saw some pigs being landed. He counted 40 and saw that they were all taken into the third defendant's premises. The man reported his discovery and when his master went to investigate the third defendant was alleged to have offered to sell the pigs for \$200. He was unable, however, to give a satisfactory account as to where he got the pigs from. The police were informed and the eight defendants were arrested.

Coming to the piracy, Mr. Hall said he had a witness, a passenger on the junk concerned, who would say that after its capture the pirates ordered the steersman to make for Samshui where the pigs were transferred to another boat. The junk then proceeded to a certain island where this passenger was marooned by the pirates. He found his way back to Hong Kong only with great difficulty. Other witnesses were able to identify some of the pigs.

The steersman disappeared after the piracy and he is suspected to have been an accomplice.

After evidence bearing out Mr. Hall's statement, the case was adjourned.

CHICAGO STORE CRASH.

Chicago, May 10.

Scores of shoppers and employees were trapped in the collapse of the four-storey building of Louis department store when a number of people engaged in shopping had miraculous escapes from death.

A crack suddenly appeared in the wall. The proprietor warned the shoppers, and they rushed into the street. Almost immediately all four storeys collapsed. The extent of the casualties is not yet known.—Reuters's American Service.

CHEQUE FRAUDS.

A GOVERNMENT CLERK'S ADMISSIONS.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

"I admit the forgery was done by me under very pressing circumstances." This was the statement made in Court by an Anglo-Indian, Joseph Mathew Kailey, when evidence for the prosecution had been completed against him yesterday afternoon and Major C. Willson was about to commit him for trial at the Criminal Sessions. The accused was proceeding to outline the circumstances leading up to the forgery when the Magistrate advised him to reserve that statement for the higher Court.

Kailey who, according to Sub-Inspector Pain, gave himself up at the Central Station Charge-room at 12.55 p.m. on Saturday last was charged on four counts as follows:—

(1) Stealing two blank cheques of the Mercantile Bank of India from the cheque book of Mr. E. K. Dovey, Government Analyst.

(2) Forging one of the cheques in the name of Mr. Dovey for the amount of \$980.

(3) Uttering the said cheque knowing it to be forged.

(4) Forging a letter to the Bank in the name of Mr. Dovey. When he surrendered to Sub-Inspector Pain, Kailey was alleged to have said quite voluntarily and before the police officer had a chance of administering the usual caution: "I wish to speak to you quietly. I have committed a forgery and have the money on me now." Accused who spoke calmly, was handed over to the Detective Office.

Mr. E. K. Dovey in the course of his evidence referred to accused as Joseph and this was explained by the prosecuting officer, Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence, who said that the accused's name appeared in the Civil Service List as M. K. Joseph.

According to Mr. Dovey accused was employed at the Government Laboratory as clerk and amongst his duties he had charge of the telephone switch-board, which the witness had tested and found that by slipping a plug the operator could hear conversation going on in the witness' room between himself and someone else at the other end of the line.

This was held by the prosecution to have some bearing on the fact that the accused had given himself up to the police, as it is surmised that he (accused) had overheard a conversation between Mr. Dovey and Mr. H. R. Weller, the Assistant Accountant of the Mercantile Bank at 12.45 p.m. on Saturday. The fact that the accused had appeared in the charge-room minus his hat, which was afterwards found in the office lavatory was held to indicate that accused had left the office hurriedly. In fact, he was none too early in surrendering for according to Sub-Inspector Pain and Detective Sergeant Dyer, Mr. Dovey and Mr. Weller arrived at Central Station almost on accused's heels. They came in so soon after the accused that they were actually present when the accused produced the money from his pocket and handed it over to Detective Sergeant Dyer. Accused now appeared distressed, according to the Detective Sergeant.

The money comprised one £20, one £10, twelve £5 bills, and five £1 and nine ten-shilling Treasury notes. This was counted by both Mr. Dovey and Mr. Weller and the latter pronounced the amount correct. The money was then sealed in an envelope and handed over to the custody of Acting Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds together with the other missing blank cheque which was also produced by the accused. It was of the same serial number as those in Mr. Dovey's cheque book. Besides the English money the accused had only 40 cents in his pocket.

The forged cheque and the blank form, the prosecution concluded, must have been removed from Mr. Dovey's cheque book on Friday forenoon because on that day Mr. Dovey had signed two cheques the numbers of which were two units removed. The first cheque he signed at 10.30 a.m., and the second at 2.30 p.m. However, Mr. Dovey did not discover the loss of the two stolen cheques when he signed the second cheque on Friday. Mr. Dovey, in fact, did not know anything about the fraud until Saturday when Mr. Weller telephoned him and asked him if he had signed a cheque for \$980. Following his denial Mr. Keller went to see Mr. Dovey at his office and then they went to Central Station together.

It was brought out in Mr. Dovey's evidence that the

ARMED ROBBERS.

A HOLD UP IN ASIATIC BUILDING.

PLUCKY COOK'S FIGHT.

A robbery with violence occurred on the seventh floor of the Asiatic Building last night.

According to Chan Yan, a cook employed on the premises, two men entered the kitchen at 9.15 p.m., on the pretext of looking for one of the foks. Suddenly one of the intruders picked up a knife from the kitchen table, and threatening the cook, demanded the master's keys. The cook put up a plucky struggle whereupon he was cut in the hand by the armed man, while the other struck him on the back of the head and took the office key from his pocket. Leaving the armed man to keep guard over the cook the other man went into the office of Mr. W. Saunders where he rifled the desk. This man returned to the kitchen with some money which he divided with his accomplice. Just then two of the foks' friends arrived. One of the robbers made good his escape while the other was secured by the cook's friends and handed over to the police.

Altogether \$55 was stolen from Mr. Saunders's office, but \$33.97 of this money was recovered on the staircase.

The cook was taken to the hospital.

CHARGE OF EXTORTION.

The whole of yesterday afternoon was employed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell in hearing evidence in the case in which two Chinese are charged with obtaining by menaces a percentage of the earnings of five casual truck pullers because, it was said, the latter did not belong to the gang.

After the remaining four complainants and a District watchman had given evidence the defendants intimated that they had five witnesses to call.

The Magistrate accordingly adjourned the case until Saturday next.

accused had occasion in the course of his duties to enter the witness' private office. Accused could easily get at the cheque book because it was always kept in the left hand bottom drawer of Mr. Dovey's desk, and he (accused) would have ample opportunity to steal the cheques during Mr. Dovey's absence in the laboratory where his duties often kept him for considerable periods. The signature on the cheque for \$980 Mr. Dovey said resembled his signature but it was not signed by him. Likewise a letter addressed to the bank, Working in the same office, accused, of course, had many chances of studying Mr. Dovey's signature.

The reason for the money being paid out in English currency was given by Mr. Weller. According to this witness accused came to the bank at 10.15 a.m., on Saturday and handed a closed envelope over the counter. In the envelope were the cheque for \$980 and a letter written on Government stationery. Both bore what purported to be Mr. Dovey's signature, but since repudiated as forgeries. Mr. Weller expressed the opinion that they were both very good forgeries.

The letter requested the bank to pay the cheque in sterling, and this was done.

It was not until a quarter to one that Mr. Weller felt an impulse to call Mr. Dovey up about the cheque, and instructed a Portuguese clerk at the Bank to make the telephone connection. Then the forgery was brought to light.

The Portuguese clerk deposed that when he got through to the Laboratory and asked for Mr. Dovey a "rough and stammering" voice on the line enquired who was speaking to which he replied "Never mind, I want Mr. Dovey personally." He was told Mr. Dovey was out. Instead of putting down the receiver, he tapped on the cradle and the same voice said "Wait a minute." Then Mr. Dovey's voice came over the line and the witness called Mr. Weller to the phone.

When Detective Sub-Inspector Andrews read out the four charges to accused on Monday he intimated that he preferred not to say anything at that time.

Accused, who was not represented by Counsel, appeared calm in the dock and took notes of the proceedings.

Major Willson made the committal order for accused's trial at the next Criminal Sessions after the latter, duly cautioned, had made his statement, admitting the forgery.

EIGHTY DROWNED?

Collision In Capsicum Pass.

EUROPEAN OFFICERS MISSING.

Further particulars are now available regarding the collision in Capsicum Pass on Monday night between the steam launch "Moonshine" and the s.s. "Leung Kwong" (Hong Kong-Kongmoon steamer) when the "Leung Kwong" sank within ten minutes of the collision.

The Chief Officer of the "Leung Kwong" and the Chief Engineer (Messrs. Thomas Henry Martin and Alec Donaldson respectively) are missing, one of the survivors stating that he saw Mr. Martin struggling in the water for over an hour. He appeared to be in a state of exhaustion and had apparently swallowed a lot of water.

Struggling In Water.

A life line was thrown to Mr. Martin but he was unable to get hold of it. A sudden turn of the boat in which the survivor was made him lose sight of the struggling officer and nothing has since been heard of the Chief Officer or of Mr. Donaldson. It was at first hoped that the officers had been picked up by the "On Lee" or the "Kwok Fook Cheong," which stood by, but on the arrival of those vessels this hope had to be abandoned.

It is reported that about eighty Chinese passengers must have been drowned, the greater number being steering passengers who were trapped under grilles on the lower deck. Divers and surveyors were sent out to the scene of the disaster yesterday and a few bodies have been recovered.

Officers Still Missing.

Later.

There is still no news of Mr. Thomas Henry Martin (Chief Officer) and Mr. Alec Donaldson (Chief Engineer).

The following particulars were obtained from the official log of the "On Lee" on its arrival here:

The "On Lee" arrived on the scene of the disaster at 7.45 p.m. in Lat. 22, 12N. North and Long. 114, 5 East. At the time of her arrival the "Leung Kwong" was keeling over, bow first.

The "On Lee" picked up 87 Chinese survivors and 6 Indian guards, also the Captain (Capt. James Wilson), who made in report to the Chief Officer and Chief Engineer were missing.

Captain Injured.

The Captain, when he was picked up, had been in the water an hour and was bleeding profusely from the head, injured in the collision.

The "On Lee" lowered two boats and searched the vicinity of the wreckage for survivors and finding no further signs of life came back to Hong Kong at 10.30 p.m. on the evening of the disaster.

The "On Lee," which anchored off Stonecutters, signalled for the police launch which came later, and took off the master of the sunken ship. The other passengers not being taken off, the "On Lee" completed her journey to Kongmoon and returned to Hong Kong again last night with the survivors.

A "Mascot."

Among the survivors taken by the "On Lee" was a three year old youngster whom the Chief Officer of the "On Lee" jokingly remarked to a Press representative he wished to keep as a "mascot" but, he added "the little beggar made a bolt of it at Kongmoon!"

The "Moonshine" did not, it is understood, transfer any survivors to the "On Lee."

The six Indian survivors were transferred to the s.s. "Kwong Fook Cheong" at Kongmoon. The "Kwong Fook Cheong" reports that she arrived on the scene at 7.40 p.m. when the "Leung Kwong" was sinking fast. She lowered one boat and picked up nineteen passengers from the water.

In addition to the nineteen Chinese passengers picked up, the "Kwong Fook Cheong" also picked up three quartermasters from the "Leung Kwong," making a total of twenty-two survivors in all picked up by this vessel.

Thought It Was Piracy.

The impression the "Kwong Fook Cheong" was under at the time was that there had been a piracy. No signals were sent out by the "Leung Kwong" and there was no light burning on board. The "Kwong Fook Cheong" noticed the "Moonshine" standing by and a few minutes later they saw the "Leung Kwong" go under head first. The "On Lee" transferred six Indian guards to the "Kwong Fook Cheong" at Kongmoon.

The estimate of eighty passengers drowned may be exceeded.

Enquiry To Be Held.

An enquiry into the circumstances of the collision will be held at the Marine Court in due course. The survivors, it is reported, have scattered and it would be difficult to get them to testify at the inquiry. Both parties are doing all they can to locate as many passengers as they can to give evidence.

Official Position Of The Wreck.

The official position of the wreck was given yesterday in a notice to mariners issued by the Harbour Authorities. It states: In Hong Kong waters, west of Capsicum Pass, the wreck of the s.s. "Leung Kwong" lies in an approximate position 270 deg. (West magnetic), 600 yards from Cap Sing Island Light.

MISSING AIRMEN.

Still No News of Captain Nungesser.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT ANXIETY.

London, May 10.

All day long searches of the English Channel and the American Coast failed to yield any news of Captain Nungesser.

Messages from Paris state that Captain Nungesser was the sole topic in the lobbies of the Chamber of Deputies on re-assembly after a month's vacation.

The matter was immediately ventilated in the House. A number of deputies blamed the Government for yesterday's misleading announcements and asked who was responsible for an aeroplane dropping red rockets to signify Captain Nungesser's success.

A Governmental spokesman, M. Bokanowski, counselled patience and hope that the airman would yet turn up. He declared the rockets were set up by a private firm.

M. Painleve declared that a telegram of congratulations he had sent when he heard that Captain Nungesser was nearing New York was despatched so that the airman would receive the message immediately he landed.—Reuter's American Service.

Ships in the Atlantic have been requested by wireless from Paris and New York to look out for Captain Nungesser's machine.

Thick fog on the American Atlantic Coast continues, making search very difficult.—Reuter's American Service.

EXPLORERS' "JOYS."

CREEPING AND CRAWLING THINGS.

AN ARMY OF CRABS.

In a series of articles which he has written for the "Morning Post" and "The Scotsman," Dr. Gann, the distinguished archaeologist and explorer, describes his adventures and discoveries in the still unsurveyed regions of Central America.

Dr. Gann is able to announce the discovery of the ruins of what is probably the first Christian church erected in the New World, a sacred island of the Mayas, and an enormous mass of ruined pyramids and temples, some of them nearly 200 feet high, and showing characteristics hitherto unknown to archaeologists.

Describing a trip which he made to Honey Camp, situated on a fresh water lagoon in the north of British Honduras, Dr. Gann says:—

My little tent was pitched upon a narrow beach covered by shells of various shapes and colours. I went to sleep soon after sundown, and awakened about midnight to find a cold "nor'e" blowing. The tent was filled with a faint earthy, ammoniacal odour, of which I had noticed traces when walking through the scrub, and curious rustling and clicking noises came from the ground.

I reached behind my pillow for the electric torch, pulled back the mosquito curtains, and switched the light on the floor. It was covered with enormous greyish-green land crabs, which were crowded so closely together that there was not standing room for all of them.

They were climbing over each other, their claws and shells making the strange sounds I had heard, while their bodies exhaled a disgusting odour.

I could not reach my boots, so, sitting on the cot, I kept killing all that came within reach or my machete till I was surrounded by a seething mass of filthy crabs. The survivors at last retired slowly—it may be because their hunger was appeased. I was glad to leave Cayo Tostado at dawn.

Ascending the Rio Nueva in the Booksie, we reached Orange Walk, the last outpost of civilisation in the north of British Honduras, and from thence took horse and mules to the newly established camp.

When clearing a patch of reeds for my tent I disturbed a harmless thunder-and-lightning snake, and I casually asked the manager if there were many snakes about. He said:—"Well, not many. But there is something about this bit of bush that seems to attract all the tomagons in Central America."

Just before I arrived a labourer was bitten by a tomagoff or yellow-jaw that had been lying in a hollow log, and he rushed back to camp and was doped with whisky pending the arrival of the native snake doctor.

While treating the patient this doctor asked for the "innards" of the snake, which these men use for medicine, and on killing it the labourers found that it was a large female with young. On hearing this the doctor abandoned the case, saying that no man bitten by a snake in that condition could possibly recover, and the victim died within a few hours. I put some saw grass, which no snake will cross, round my tent that night.

FIRST TIME.

Russian Spoken At League Meeting.

A SOVIET REMEDY URGED.

Geneva, May 10.

The Russian language was heard for the first time at League meetings when M. Lepse, President of the Soviet Metal Workers' Union, made a lengthy speech on industry to the committee of the International Economic Conference.

M. Lepse regretted that no allusion had hitherto been made as to the necessity for increasing workers' wages. He declared that nationalisation signified nothing but lower wages and more extensive exploitation of the workers. He advocated the Soviet remedy for improving the workers' lot.

The speech, which was translated into French and English, created a very unfavourable impression. M. Jouhaux (France) intends to reply thereto.

Herr Lammers (Germany) expressed the opinion that higher wages would not help industries like cotton, whose raw material must be bought abroad, or assist countries to produce the excess of imports necessary to provide for interest on war debt and sinking fund contributions.—Reuter.

WEARY WILLIES.

A VICAR'S LIST OF BEGGARS.

So many hundreds of professional beggars are earning their livings by telling "tall stories" at vicarages that one London vicar is compiling a list of them and the tricks they employ. He is the Rev. T. P. Stevens, of St. Matthew's, New Kent Road, S.E., who has drawn attention in his parish magazine to the fact that some of these beggars will when vicars are out and insult their wives if they will not give help. He told a "Daily Mail" representative:

I have about 25 of them already on my list. There are hundreds going about, and in Birmingham there is an organisation that warns local welfare workers about them and describes their methods. One of the oldest stories is that of the sailor who has to get back to Gravesend the motorist whose car has broken down to catch his ship, and one of the newest near at hand, and who must send two telegrams.

There are many who can weep at will. They tell some variation of the story of a daughter, wife, or mother who has died in hospital, and of the hard, relentless undertaker who insists on a pound deposit. There is the so-called seafaring man who wants to sell the treasures he has bought from the east. Some of them are well dressed. It depends on whether their story calls for it.

There is the young woman who never asks for money. She says she has at last been given a job but cannot afford to buy a season ticket. Would the vicar kindly ask her employers to pay her weekly instead of monthly, as she would then get the money in time? I replied that I certainly would, and at once she then pointed out that it was useless, as the employer had just gone out for lunch. She got nothing. These people can always be found out if you question them long enough.

KING JOHN'S HOUSE.

HUNTING BOX CLUES IN AN OLD COTTAGE.

The discovery of the actual house occupied by King John of England at Romsey, Hampshire, at various times between February 1200 and February 1210, is reported by Mr. W. J. Andrew, of the Old House, Michelmersh, Romsey, who has acted in association with Mr. T. D. Atkinson, the surveyor of Winchester Cathedral.

The fact that King John lived somewhere in Romsey on the occasions mentioned is on record, and Mr. Andrew points out that it was a convenient centre for State business at Winchester and for the King's favourite pastime of hunting in the New Forest.

Some time ago Miss Moody, the owner of a number of picturesque old cottages in Romsey, asked Mr. Andrew to examine the deeds. These showed that the site had belonged to the abbey at Romsey at the date of the dissolution of the monasteries. Mr. Andrew found that the central block of the row of cottages was a self-contained medieval building of flint and stone which had been adapted to cottages in Tudor times. After examining the original roof Mr. Andrew, who has transmitted his observations to "The Daily Mail," formed the opinion that the building was a domestic hall, true in its small size and general character to the early years of the 13th century, but most elaborately ornamented and roofed.

From certain other structural indications it tallies exactly, in Mr. Andrew's opinion, with that of the hunting box which King John built for himself at Romsey.

BROKE THE LAW.

SELLING LIQUOR WITHOUT LICENCE.

A RESTAURANT'S TROUBLES.

Mak Ping, a partner of the World Restaurant, Nos. 224-228 Des Voeux Road Central, was summoned by Sub-Inspector Shafin of the S.C.A. before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with selling intoxicants on the premises without a licence.

Mr. D. McCallum, who appeared for the defence, said he had no option but to plead "guilty" to a technical offence, but asked the Magistrate to read certain correspondence which had passed between the S.C.A.'s Office and Messrs. D'Almada and Mason.

Afterwards, Mr. McCallum said that his client, who formerly held a licence but now experienced difficulty in raising money to have it renewed, was only one of the partners of the restaurant. The other partners who held the major portion of the shares lived in Canton. Accused had written to them several times for the money but had been unsuccessful so far in getting anything from Canton.

Two weeks ago the accused went to counsel enquired if he thought a criminal proceeding would be taken against him. While thinking it quite probable, Mr. McCallum said he was inclined to the belief that in view of the correspondence the S.C.A. would communicate with him first. Instead the action was taken without counsel hearing anything further to his letter which was written in reply to the last one from the S.C.A. dated April 12.

Proceeding, Mr. McCallum said his client had always intended to make the payment to the Government but he could not get all of the money together at one time. As a matter of fact counsel had \$500 in his office now, but that was only a part of the necessary amount.

Inspector Shafin said that on Monday, April 23 he gave defendant definite warning that if the money were not paid by the following Friday he would take action. After the lapse of the period of grace the Inspector sent men there to buy liquor. They were served and the action was taken.

Mr. McCallum said that landlord had now seized the premises because the rent was in arrears, and there was no possibility of the accused selling any more liquor at present.

Magistrate: The closing down at least for the present. He hopes to be able eventually to collect money from the partners to make the necessary payments.

Mr. Lindsell held that defendant had no right to carry on like that while owing the Government \$2,000, and imposed a fine of \$100.

UNSOLVED CRIMES.

THE MASTER MIND BEHIND ROBBERIES.

Recent reports of fresh clues in the mystery surrounding the murder of Mr. E. A. Creed, the provision shop manager, of Bayswater, W., on July 28, emphasises the fact that Scotland Yard never entirely abandons an investigation.

There are several other crimes, weeks old, awaiting solution. There is the burglary at Harrods' stores, on December 29, when property to the value of about £10,000 was stolen. At least three thieves were engaged, and they were seen by a policeman to drive away.

Then there are the recent raids on post offices and mail vans. In one or two instances the thieves have been brought to justice, but the man or men who stand in the background and plan these robberies have not been caught. It is thought that there is a master mind which directs post office robberies.

Efforts are being made to discover the organisers of the gang which has successfully brought off safe robberies recently. The thieves must have been well provided with money, for the appliances which have been left behind are of costly manufacture.

"Thieves to-day," said a detective, "are specialising more than ever, and although they describe themselves as labourers or clerks they are really well-educated men with first-class brains."

A JAPANESE INJURED.

A Japanese was yesterday afternoon taken to the hospital suffering from injuries received through either falling or jumping from the second floor verandah of No. 56 Praya East.

I do not go to many dinners now because old people are not wanted.—Lord Carson.

I don't think that citizenship should depend on a pair of trousers or a few sticks of furniture.—Mrs. Wintingham.

"JUMP IN, OLD MAN."

LIFT FROM THE PRINCE OF WALES.

CYCLIST STOPS ROYAL CAR.

London, April 23.

Lincoln.—A motor-cyclist who had been stranded on the road at Upper Broughton, Nottinghamshire, stopped the first motor-car and asked for a lift to Nottingham. The Prince of Wales happened to be the motorist, and the cyclist apologised for stopping him and was moving away, when the Prince called: "Jump in, old man, and I'll soon have you there."

The Prince was originally bound for Melton Mowbray, but drove to Nottingham to enable the cyclist to keep his appointment.

"POSTAGE STAMP DIVORCE."

After having heard eleven of the seventy-seven undefended divorce petitions before him the Lord Chief Justice at Leeds Assizes said to Mr. C. J. Frankland, appearing for the twelfth petitioner: "Can you or some other ingenious member of the Bar devise a plan whereby a judge could hear a dozen of these cases simultaneously? It would save a great deal of time."

Mr. Frankland: I agree with you, my lord. There is certainly a painful similarity.

After having heard fifty undefended petitions Lord Hewart said: "If the Chancellor of the Exchequer really desires an additional source of revenue he might consider the desirability of issuing decree nisi postage stamps at the post-office."

Earlier in the day, when damages of £200 were claimed by a husband for the loss of his wife, the Lord Chief Justice remarked: "I am asked, in the absence of a jury, to put a money value on the worth of this wife to her husband, and I award 2s. 6d."

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

May 11—Queen's Theatre: "The Temptress."

May 11—Star Theatre: "French Doll."

May 11—World Theatre: "Hurricane."

May 11—"C" & "D" Coys (2nd Bn. King's Own Scottish Borderers, dance at the Cinema, Mt. Austin Barracks, 8 p.m.

May 12—H.M.S. "Titanic" Dance, Helena May Institute, 8.45 p.m.

May 12-13-14—Occult Demonstration by Prof. Harry Plater at Lee Theatre, East Pt., 9.15 p.m.

May 12-14—Buster Keaton in "Seven Chances"; Raffles, the Man of Mystery.

May 13—Smoking concert at Volunteer Headquarters 9.15 p.m.

May 14—Opening performance of Isako's European Circus.

May 17—Star Theatre: The Wilbur Players in their latest comedies and dramas.

May 11—Friendly ping-pong match, St. Peter's Young Men's Club, 8 p.m.

May 11—Whist Drive, Seamen's Institute, 8.30 p.m.

May 24—Meeting of Fanling Hunt Steeplechases.

Auctions.

May 13—At Messrs. Lammert Bros. sales room, miscellaneous goods, etc., 11 a.m.

May 13—A collection of postage stamps will be auctioned by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at their Sales Room, 5.15 p.m.

May 14—Messrs. Lammert Bros. will sell by public auction at 5, Carnarvon Bldg., Kowloon valuable household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Meetings.

May 14—Fifth yearly meeting of Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Bldg., Des Voeux Rd., 11.30 a.m.

May 14—China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co. Ltd.'s thirtieth meeting, St. George's Bldg., noon.

May 15—Meeting of Members of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, City Hall, 4 p.m.

May 17—Forty-sixth annual meeting of the Canton Insurance Co., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

May 20—Fifty-fourth meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Union Bldg., 11 a.m.

May 20—Fifty-eighth meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Union Bldg., 11.20 a.m.

May 20—Sixty-first meeting of British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., Union Building, 11.15 a.m.

May 21—General meeting of shareholders of Douglas Co., Ltd., Co.'s Office, noon.

Miscellaneous.

May 12—Lam wedding, before Registrar of Marriages, 3 p.m. Reception at No. 20 Conduit Rd.

May 12—Weekly lecture of the Hong Kong Lodge, The Theosophical Society, 7, Duddell St., 6 p.m.

May 17—Dinner at Govt. House in honour of Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D.

May 16—Moonlight picnic of St. Peter's Young Men's Club.

May 17—Last debate of St. Peter's Young Men's Club, at Club House, 8.30 p.m.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

H.M.S. "Titania" will hold a
dance at the Helena May Institute
at 8.45 p.m. to-morrow.

A whist drive is being held
at the Seamen's Institute this
evening, beginning at half past
eight.

No. 32 Bonham Strand was sold
yesterday at the China Auction
Rooms for \$107,000 (an increase on
the upset price of \$12,000) to Mr.
Li Man-kar, acting for the Luen
Yick Hong.

The authorities at Scotland
Yard have inspected specimens of
the two-seater taxi—the handsome
cab of the future. They have al-
ready, it is stated, expressed ap-
proval of the chassis, but the body,
with its black wings and collapsible
roof, was a somewhat different pro-
position. When the two-seater
enters upon competition with its
four-seater forerunners the public
may look out for cheaper fares all
round, especially if no attempt is
made to pool the returns.

Mr. Frank H. Shaw tells of
Captain Muller, of the "Emden,"
a good story in his living volume
of reminiscences "Knocking Around."
Muller was the Galahad of the
German Navy. He was also a hu-
morous and an exceptional sort. Hold-
ing up one considerable ship he
boarded her, and in her master re-
cognised an acquaintance. He
saluted him cordially. "According
to orders I ought to pitch you all
overboard and sink the ship," he
said, "but I won't do it. She's mine,
though—I give her to your wife as a
present from Muller of the
"Emden." I don't know whether
such a gift holds good in law."

Gold jewellery is the most popu-
lar type of ornament now being
used by London milliners as hat
ornaments. Narrow gold chains,
which look very like braid, are
finished with large gold tassels.
Fobs on hats are quite as attrac-
tive as they are on dresses, and a
clever idea is a rectangle of the
felt held in a narrow gold frame de-
corated with minute Rhinestones.
Crystal comes next in order of
popularity and crystal flowers, very
small and beautifully formed, are
shown. Crystal pendants, either of
the polished or dull variety, are
composed of links or cubes. A
steel chain worn round the crown
in a spiral is also one of the latest
notions.

One case of small pox (Kow-
loon), and three of enteric fever
(Victoria, Kowloon and New Terri-
tory) were notified yesterday. All
were Chinese.

"B" Company of the 2nd
Batt. King's Own Scottish Bor-
derers, at present on duty at
Shameen, has been relieved by
"A" Company. The sub-section
of machine gunners now at
Shameen has also been relieved
by another sub-section.

For three nights, beginning
at 9.15 to-morrow, Professor
Harry Pislser is giving occult de-
monstrations at Lee Theatre,
East Point. Service men are ad-
mitted at specially reduced
prices. Europeans are advised
to go a little earlier to admire
the really wonderful decorations
in the theatre's interior.

Mr. R. Chappell, of 67, Par
Green, Par, Cornwall, has recently
completed a model of the famous
clipper ship "Cutty Sark," which has
taken him three years to construct.
It has been inspected by Sir Arthur
Clarke, of Trinity House, the chair-
man of the Port of London Author-
ity, the chief of the model depart-
ment of the South Kensington
Museum, and many others interest-
ed in old-time sailing ships, and
they have congratulated Mr. Chap-
pell on his excellent workmanship.

At a recent meeting of the
committee of the House of Com-
mons, which is considering the
Public Health (Smoke Abate-
ment) Bill, an effort was made
by Captain Waterhouse to bring
private dwelling-houses under the
clause, empowering local authori-
ties to insist on the newest form
of domestic grates in houses now
being built or to be built. The
mover of the amendment said
that domestic chimneys con-
tributed no less than 50 per cent.
of the nuisance. Mr. Chamber-
lain, in opposing the amendment,
said it could not apply to the
8,000,000 houses already built,
but only to the 200,000 which are
built each year, and 75 per cent.
of which were supplied with
modern grates. But if modern
grates are necessary for 75 per
cent, surely they are necessary
for all. The amendment of Cap-
tain Waterhouse was rejected.

The a.s. "President Garfield"
arrived here yesterday on her 11th
trip around the world. Capt. K. B.
Lowry commanding. The "Gar-
field" brought 1,300 tons of general
cargo for Hong Kong and 250 bags
of mail. She has 5,520 tons of
cargo in transit.

The oldest gamekeeper on the
Safford estates, John Shand, who
always accompanied the late King
Edward and King George when
shooting over Castle Grant moors
was drowned in the River Spey,
near Grantown. He was salmon
fishing with a friend, and entered
a deep pool with waders, his com-
panion, moving farther up-river.
When the latter returned he found
that Shand had disappeared.

* THEOSOPHY *

An Address by Mr. M. Manuk
President Hong Kong Lodge T.S.,
will be given at The Hong Kong
Lodge Theosophical Society, 7,
Duddell Street, on Thursday, May
12, at 6 p.m. The Public is cordially
invited to attend.

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Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m., other
days from 7-8 p.m.

James H. Cranna, an Aberdeen
man, who has died in Australia at
the age of 88, found—and sold—for
£351—the Mount Morgan goldfields,
which have given a yield of
£20,000,000. While bullock driv-
ing, Cranna met Dan O'Leary, and
they were the first to cross the con-
tinent of Australia from side to side
in quest of gold amid innumerable
risks from famine and murderous
natives. They located fields which
have since become the richest in
the world, but always sold out for
penny sums to raise money. Cranna
several times hunted native mur-
derers. On one occasion he enter-
ed single-handed the lair of one of
them, the troops and police being
afraid to venture, and brought
forth the man for justice. He had
a curious experience with Deeming,
who killed several wives, and
buried them under the floors of
houses. Cranna and Deeming met
in an Adelaide hotel. Cranna,
ignorant of the fact that Deeming
was a murderer, purchased dia-
monds from him, and was later cal-
led to identify him and to be a wit-
ness at the trial in which Deeming
was condemned to death.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. Alfred Mayfield, Hull, paper
manufacturer, left estate of the
gross value of \$154,837.

Mr. A. H. Compton sailed from
Hong Kong yesterday on the
"Chenonceaux," southward
bound.

The following appointments
have recently been made by the
Secretary of State for the
Colonies: Mrs. M. Ollerhead,
Miss M. A. MacCabe, and Miss
G. M. Evans, Nursing Sisters,
Hong Kong.

Hong Kong passengers arrived
from Manila by the "President
Grant" included Mr. H. G. Q.
Wales, the Rev. P. Calada, the
Rev. B. Fontedra, the Rev. H. M.
Rodrigo, Mr. and Mrs. H. M.
Goldin and Mr. and Mrs. J. F.
Purcell. Commander Ross S.
Culp and Lt. R. B. Drennan were
among the through passengers
who left yesterday for Shanghai.

Among the Hong Kong passen-
gers on the "Chenonceaux" when
she left Hong Kong yesterday for
Saigon, Singapore and Marseilles
were Mr. H. L. Carson, the Misses
R. F. and C. da Cruz, Mr. H. F.
McNair, Mr. A. Gilliam, Mr. F. L.
Silva, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Ward,
Miss F. A. dos Santos, Mr.
Trambitsky, Mr. Lo In-nin, Mr.
T. A. Mahtani and Mr. K.
Assomal.

Electricity is being employed in
the new home of the Duke and
Duchess of York in Piccadilly to an
extent not previously attempted in
any Royal residence in this country
(observes a "Daily Chronicle"
writer.) The underground kitchen
here is virtually an "all electric"
one, while this will be employed for
heating most of the rooms, though
open coal fires are to be placed in
some of these, as their Royal High-
nesses greatly like to see a blazing
fire on a cold winter's day.

The marriage of Mr. M. H. Lo,
assistant compradore of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co., and
Miss Edith Lam, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Lam Kai-tseung, will
take place to-morrow. The cere-
mony will be performed before
the Registrar of Marriages at 3
p.m., and a reception will after-
wards be held at the residence of
the bridegroom's parents Mr. Lo
Cheung-shui, J.P. (formerly com-
pradore to Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd.) and Mrs.
Lo Cheung-shui, No. 20, Conduit
Road.

In honour of the Hon. Dr. R.
H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., a
dinner is being given at Govern-
ment House to-morrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolasco, Mr.
Pietri, Mr. and Mrs. L. A.
Charlott and Mr. E. Denney
were among the passengers on
the "D'Artagnan," which sailed
from Hong Kong yesterday for
Shanghai and Yokohama.

Passengers arrived in Hong
Kong yesterday by the "President
Garfield" from Shanghai included
Miss B. Worley, Captain S. C.
Dildine, Mr. R. C. Stoops, Mr.
Chow Lun-po, Mr. Chung Wing-
kwong and Lt. Yeh Ting-yin.

Passengers for Hong Kong arriv-
ing by the "President Garfield" yester-
day included Captain S. C.
Dildine, U.S. Army, staying at
Hong Kong en route to Manila from
Shanghai; Mr. Chester A. Gille,
Asst.-Secretary of the Miller Rub-
ber Export Co.; and Mr. Robert
Stoops of the Hammon Advertising
Co., New York en route to Singa-
pore.

The "President Grant" took
away a good many passengers
from Hong Kong when she sailed
yesterday for Shanghai, Japan
and Seattle. Among those on
board were Mr. D. N. Masters,
the Rev. W. V. and Mrs. Higgins,
Miss M. Wallace, Mr. S. S. Beltz,
Mr. G. H. Lynott, Mr. D. M. Ross,
Mr. W. K. Chun and Mr. T. L.
Wong.

Mr. Charles Bagge Penn, of 157,
Victoria Street, S.W., stockbroker,
who died on January 9, aged sixty-
nine years, has left estate of the
value of £44,523 1s. 5d., with net
personality £44,463 10s. 7d. The
will, dated January 3, 1924, is prov-
ided by Frederick Rolph, Chief Petty
Officer, R.N., retired, deceased's
manservant to whom the testator
leaves the whole of his property
absolutely.

Though rubber flowers as but-
tonholes for women did not outlive
their brief term as novelties, it
seems that they have captured the
fancy of men who favour flowers on
their lapels (says the "Star"). The
Prince of Wales's red rubber carn-
ation worn with dress clothes has
given a fillip to the trade,
and small rubber flowers suitable
for men's wear are now receiving
attention from the manufacturers.
It is probable that large men's wear
shops will be showing brightly
coloured rubber buttonholes in
their windows this spring. There
are so many well-dressed and well-
known men in London who wear
flowers that the "rubber" wave,
they say, is sure to take on.

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SPORTS SECTION

THREE "DOUBLES."

Hobbs Gets 2 Centuries Again.

OPPONENT DOES THE SAME.

Jack Hobbs, England's greatest batsman of the present day, has been doing big things again even though the Home cricket season is only in its second week.

At the Oval, he scored a century in each innings against Hampshire. The compliment was repaid by Newman, the Hants all-rounder, who did likewise and took a few wickets into the bargain.

Not to be outdone, Bates (of Glamorgan) ran up two centuries against Essex.

Many Big Scores.

Batsmen's wickets must have prevailed as the scores are all on the big side.

K. S. Duleepinhi (Ranji's nephew and the Light Blue undergraduate) made the highest individual score of 254 not out. There were other centuries galore but a few bowlers took their toll, principally, Larwood of Notts, last year's Test "find."

The highest aggregate was made by the New Zealand team under T. C. Lowry (the former Cambridge captain and brother-in-law of A. P. F. Chapman, England's captain).

Champions Checked.

Of Hobbs' feat, it should be mentioned that this is the fourth time that he has brought off a double in his first-class cricket career.

Lancashire (the champions) received their first check in the county championship. Surrey also dropped points, but Yorkshire's strength prevailed.

London, May 10.

County championship and other first-class cricket matches concluded to-day resulted:—

The Double "Double."

At the Oval, Surrey led Hampshire on the first innings in an uncompleted match. Scores:—

Surrey (1st) 439 runs. Hobbs made 112, Jecocks 55, Shepherd 120, Peach 77, Fender 73; Newman took 5 wks. for 123 runs. Hants (1st) 370 runs. Mead made 67, Newman 102.

Surrey (2nd) 231 runs for 6 wks., dec. Hobbs made 104 runs, this being the fourth time in his career that he has made a century in both innings of a match. Sandham made 58. Potchary took 4 wks. for 47 runs.

Hants (2nd) 249 runs for 5 wks. Newman made 102 not out. Newman therefore got into three figures in each innings, providing the unique incidence of a batsman on each side accomplishing the "double" in the same match.

Two More Centuries.

At Leyton, Essex lost first innings points to Glamorgan in an uncompleted match. Scores:—

Glamorgan (1st) 485 runs. Bates made 105, Walters 73, Davies (D.) 121 not out. Russell took 4 wks. for 60 runs.

Essex (1st) 411 runs. Douglas made 64 not out, Cutmore 51, Eastman 60, Hipkin 102.

Glamorgan (2nd) 211 runs for 5 wks., dec. Bates made 111. Essex (2nd) 106 runs for 9 wks. Clay took 4 wks. for 33 runs.

Lancashire's Match.

At Birmingham, Warwickshire lost first innings points to Lancashire (the holders) in an unfinished match. Scores:—

Lancs. (1st) 375 runs. Hallows made 70, Green 63, Taylor 74. Warwick (1st) 267 runs. Parsons made 105; Sibbles took 4 wks. for 56 runs.

Lancs. (2nd) 240 runs for 3 wks., dec. Green made 66, Watson 52, Iddon 80 not out.

Warwick (2nd) 199 runs for 3 wks. Bates made 106 not out. Yorkshire Win Easily.

At Gloucester, Gloucestershire lost to Yorkshire by an innings and 21 runs. Scores:—

Gloucester (1st) 189 runs. Waddington took 5 wickets for 61 runs.

York (1st) 468 runs for 5 wks., dec. Holmes made 180, Sutcliffe 134, Kilner (R.) 90 not out.

Gloucester (2nd) 258 runs. Hammond made 135 runs.

Larwood's Bowling.

At Nottingham, Notts defeated Sussex by eight wickets. Scores:—

Sussex (1st) 129 runs. Larwood (the 1926 Test Match fast bowler) took 7 wickets for 36 runs.

Notts (1st) 244 runs. Hollingdale took 4 wks. for 57 and Parks 3 for 15.

Sussex (2nd) 248 runs. Bowley made 67, Isherwood 54. Staples (A.) took 4 for 49.

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DAVIS CUP.

INDIA DEFEAT SPAIN IN DOUBLES.

LEAD BY 2 MATCHES TO 1.

Barcelona, May 10. In the Davis Cup international lawn tennis match between Spain and India (in the European eliminating zone), A. H. Fyze and Prasada (India) defeated Flaquer and J. Morales (Spain) 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.—Reuter.

Prasada has won one singles match while Fyze lost one. India now leads by two matches to one. The "tie" consists of five matches (one doubles and four singles) so that the result hinges on the last one or two singles matches.

SWIM DEMONSTRATION.



George Young, the Canadian winner of the Catalina Channel marathon swimming race, demonstrated his winning strokes in the chilly waters of New York Bay.

K.C.C. TENNIS TEAMS.

Teams to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in the Tennis League this Saturday, beginning at 4 p.m. are as follows:—

"A" team (away) v. M.B.K.—E. C. Finch (captain) and L. Jack, W. Hyde and C. E. Millard, E. F. Finch and C. W. E. Bishop.

"B" team (home) v. C.R.C.—E. Abraham (captain) and R. E. Lindell, A. Hanson and G. S. Ford, C. H. Atkins and D. J. Purves.

"C" team (away) v. C. R. C.—W. Woodward (captain) and R. F. Strange, G. Lee and A. J. Kew, C. H. Leddra and A. H. McBride.

HOME AMATEUR GOLF.

London, May 10.

For the amateur golf championship which is being played at Hove, there are 197 entries, including eight from America, three from Calcutta, two from Cairo, two from Tasmania, one from Switzerland and one from Sumatra.

The American, Jesse Sweetser, the holder, has not entered.—Reuter.

Wah Yan Old Boys' Union will visit St. Peter Young Men's Club in a friendly ping-pong match this evening at 8 o'clock.

S. C. Hayes and D. E. Carvalho contest on Friday their third match in the play-off of the Kowloon chess club championship in which they at present tie with one victory each.

Notts (2nd) 136 runs for 2 wks. Walker made 50 not out. Light Blues v. Middlesex.

At Cambridge, the University drew with Middlesex. Scores:—

Cantabs (1st) 231 runs. Dawson made 63. Durston took 4 wks. for 45 runs.

Middlesex (1st) 344 runs. Lee made 52, Hendon 63, Killick 94. Lowe took 5 wks. for 71 runs.

Cantabs (2nd) 365 runs for 5 wks., dec. Duleepinhi made 254 runs not out.

Middlesex (2nd) 123 runs for 3 wks.

New Zealand Tour.

The New Zealanders (who are touring in the Old County this season) drew with Martineau's XI. Scores:—

New Zealand (1st) 586 runs for 9 wks., dec. Blunt made 119, Mills 188, Dacre 101.

Martineau's XI (1st) 256 runs. Wilkinson made 101. Merritt took 4 wks. for 38 runs and Bernau 4 for 59.

Martineau's XI (2nd) followed on 163 runs for 6 wks. Tanner made 72.

LAWN TENNIS.

GROUND UNSUITABLE FOR TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

MATCHES POSTPONED.

The continuance of wet weather has rendered the tennis courts at the Kong Kong Cricket Club unsuitable for tennis to-day. As a result the exhibition matches arranged for the benefit of the Ministering Children's League have been postponed.

This will naturally come as a disappointment alike to the organisers, the players, and the public; but it will be recognised that this was the only course possible under the circumstances.

HOW CARDIFF WON.

ARSENAL'S FIGHT IN CUP FINAL.

MORE ABOUT THE GAME.

The first report to hand about the F.A. Cup Final at Wembley on April 23, when Cardiff City defeated the Arsenal by a goal to nil, is given below:—

Buchan won the toss for the Arsenal.

To a roar of applause, Arsenal got a free-kick and Baker landed the ball at the goal-mouth. Farquharson punched the ball away.

The weather was fine but gusty. After an attack by Cardiff, Arsenal took the offensive.

A foul against Arsenal relieved the pressure.

Buchan repelled a Cardiff raid. Farquharson's Great Save.

Kennedy took a well-placed free-kick, the ball bobbing from the heads of Buchan and Brain to the goalmouth when Hour was declared offside.

From another Arsenal free-kick Parker sent in a terrific grounder, which was magnificently saved by Farquharson, who was cheered.

Farquharson then nearly put a long shot from Baker into the net.

Arsenal Get Four Corners. The cleverness of Buchan and Hulme gained Arsenal the first corner.

Three more followed quickly. From the fourth John landed the ball on the top of the net. Arsenal forwards were inclusive, though only a great piece of work by Baker once saved the Londoners.

Cardiff's first real shot was obtained after half an hour, Irving firing past the post.

Kennedy took a free-kick and the ball landed at the goal mouth. Farquharson managed to scramble the ball away before Brain's arrival.

Buchan Limp. Buchan was limping from a fall against Nelson's legs. Nevertheless he nearly headed a goal from a melee.

Two fouls against Cardiff were fruitless. Arsenal were attacking when the interval arrived with no goal.

From a corner Farquharson punched the ball away in the second half.

Twice Brain sent in hook-shots against the side of the net. The closest escape was when Hour, from Buchan's glorious pass, shot into Farquharson's hands.

Cardiff's Swift Swoops. Butler fell like a log from a volley against his face. He resumed immediately.

Cardiff confined their attack to swift swoops.

Arsenal were most consistent. As a result of neat work by Curtis, McLachlan flashed the ball past the post.

Arsenal retaliated. Farquharson running out to beat Brain for a pass by Buchan.

Cardiff improved. From a mix-up in front of goal Ferguson sent in a hard grounder.

Unlucky Goal. Lewis in attempting to throw away, fell over the line with the ball on his knees.

Cardiff were now one goal up with 23 minutes of the second half game.

Arsenal made a desperate rush to the Cardiff goal, but combined efforts by Blyth, Hour, and Buchan failed.

Ferguson had the goal at his mercy, but Lewis rushing out, saved.

Arsenal rallied, and Brain netted, but the point was disallowed as he was offside.

Arsenal Lack Vim. In the closing minutes Arsenal attacked hotly, but they lacked their early vim.

Cardiff was attacking when the whistle sounded. Teams:—

Cardiff City: Farquharson, Nelson, Watson, Keenor, Sloan, Hardy, Curtis, Irving, Ferguson, Len Davis, McLachlan.

The Arsenal: Lewis, Parker, Kennedy, Baker, Butler, John, Hulme, Buchan, Brain, Blyth, Hour.

At the conclusion of the game, H.M. the King presented the Cup and medals.

A pleasing feature of the proceeding was the manner in which the Arsenal players shook hands with their opponents.

SHANGHAI RACES.

CHAMPIONS' CASH SWEEP RESULT.

ALL THE LUCKY NUMBERS.

The result of the Shanghai Race Club sweeps on the Spring Champions is given below.

The first three ponies are marked; other runners are prefixed with an asterisk; and the others are treated as non-starters.

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GIBBON WAKEFIELD.

MAN WHO WAS CONVICTED AND STATESMAN.

A FAMOUS ABDUCTION CASE.

The centenary fell on March 23 of a trial which was not only sensational in itself but had for its central figure a man whom history honours in very different connections.

The scene was Lancaster Assizes, with Broughain and Scarlett on opposing sides, as in many another forensic battle. One of the witnesses, of whom we are glad to cherish every possible glimpse, was David Laing, the marrying blacksmith of Gretna Green. And arraigned in the dock were Edward Gibbon Wakefield, his brother William, his step-mother, and Edward Thevenot. The charge was that of abducting a fifteen-year-old schoolgirl named Ellen Turner, and forcing her into marriage with the first-named prisoner.

The bride was a prospective heiress in a small way; the bridegroom (though this was not of course, "opened" to the jury) had already some experience of adventurous matrimony. Eleven years before, as a youth of twenty, he had made a runaway match with a ward in chancery—to which the lady's family were induced to reconcile themselves. His spouse being now dead, he sought to mend his languishing fortunes by a still greater piece of audacity, to which certain of his family lent their co-operation.

Inveigled From School. Briefly, what was done was to inveigle the girl from her boarding-school on the pretext of her mother's illness, to drive her off to Gretna, and to persuade her that her marriage to Wakefield was the only means of extricating her father from serious financial embarrassment. Some evidence was adduced with the object of showing that Miss Turner had not found the abduction distasteful; the blacksmith testified that after the ceremony "they both embraced each other very agreeably" and were "in the very best of comfortable spirits." The criminality of the enterprise, however, was clear enough, and Wakefield and his brother were both sentenced to three years' imprisonment. The marriage (which had not been consummated) was annulled by a special Act of Parliament.

Edward Wakefield's three years in Newgate were to bear memorable fruit. For one thing, he wrote a book on penology which had no little influence upon subsequent reforms of the criminal law. But far more important was the attention which as one whose career was not improbably closed in his own country) he devoted to the subject of colonial life and its problems. He set his finger on the weak spots of Australian administration in its reckless grants of land and its lack of an emigrant policy.

Beginnings of the Colonies. In one book after another he compelled attention to his views, and had the satisfaction of seeing many of them applied in colonial government through the efforts of societies formed under his inspiration. In connection with these bodies his position was chiefly of a background character, since his record was too patent a disqualification for public life. But it was upon his principles that the new colony of South Australia was organised by such men as Grote and Molesworth, and his standing in the private estimation of politicians was shown by his being taken to Canada as unofficial adviser by Lord Durham in entering on his famous Governor-Generalship.

Wakefield had a large share in drawing up Durham's famous Report. But the remainder of his life was concerned mainly with the foundation and early supervision of the colony of New Zealand. Meeting with hindrance on the part of the Colonial Office, he got his associates to despatch the first boat-load of settlers without Government sanction, and the credit is due to him of having thus forestalled a French annexation of the country. He worked in London for the interests of the Infant Colony until 1852, when he went out in person. Two years later his health broke down, and without being able to face any further activity, he died in 1852.

Wakefield's great intellectual powers were associated with a kind of which the abduction episode was not the only manifestation. His associates in public work generally parted company with him in course of time, being rendered uneasy by the lack of scruple which he showed in the choice of means for his high-minded objectives. But no names stand higher in the records of colonial statesmanship and few

720,000 WAR GRAVES. A year of great progress is recorded in the "Seventh Annual Report of the Imperial War Graves Commission" (Stationery Office, 1s.).

Major-General Sir Fabian Ware, vice-chairman of the Commission, refers to the encouragement derived by members of the Commission from the growing attachment of the French and Belgian people to the 1,000 British war cemeteries in France and Belgium.

There is never a day of commemoration of the dead, or anniversary of an outstanding event of the Great War on which a visit of ceremony is not paid to these cemeteries by the French people in the neighbourhood.

Further evidence of sympathy with the objects of the Commission's work is afforded by the welcome given by the French people to the proposal to erect tablets in memory of the Million Dead of the British Empire in the Cathedrals situated in France, as associated with the British Armies.

Already 550,000 identified graves and 160,000 unidentified graves have been registered by the Commission, and the distribution of the cemeteries is as wide as the theatres of war in which the forces of the Empire were engaged.

CHIVALRY IN CRIME. "If only life were mathematical and justice scientific, there would be some curious re-shuffling of most of the positions of folk like ourselves," said Mr. J. A. R. Cairns, the Thames Police Court magistrate, at the annual meeting of the Holloway N. Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society held at the Mansion House, E.C.

"I wish we folk would get rid of the notion that the people who are convicted are so very much worse than ourselves (he continued)."

"There is in jail to-night a man whose life I knew, and whom I was accustomed to call to myself a Gallian, but life plays queer tricks on the wisest."

"At Thames Police Court two women were charged. After the first hearing a third young woman went to give herself up. It was I who stole the things that the others received," and "I want to be with them when it comes



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FASHIONS AND FANCIES



Coffures That Give The Appearance of Being Swirled or Turned Under Are Becoming Popular.

Each Spring sees a revival of the tailored mode. This year it returns with its old time expressed in somewhat feminine details. This important fashion for women is ushered in in two-piece costumes that are fashioned along slender lines with skirts possessing but little fullness and jackets that are quite short and extremely smart in their details of satin bindings, velvet collars and pique or satin waistcoats.

In the two-piece suits navy blue twills, men's wear suitings in custom weaves, tweeds and Oxfords are the choice of the smartly dressed. Skirt and jacket do not necessarily match.

In the costume suit that is so new and is causing so much notice in the early Spring wardrobe as well as in the costumes that go Southward there are many points of interest. Coats in these costumes have both short or seven-eighths length coats. Crepe and silk combinations, all crepe, kasha or tweed, are used in the favoured shades.

Accessories that add so much to the Spring tailored wardrobe naturally include the new overblouse of gay silk that gives such a Springtime air. Plaids, compose stripes, prints or Paisleys—in high neck types for the tailored suits or in more decorative models for the suit-coats.

Anna Q. Nilsson, appearing in the First National film, "Easy Pickings," has selected a charming tailored suit for the Spring months. It is very severe in its outline, but feminized in its detail. It is of hairline twill with a high collar, brilliant tie and a coloured handkerchief that harmonizes with the tie that peeps from the tailored pocket. A flower is also worn on the shoulder.

NEW HAIRDRESSING MODE.

There is a National School of Hairdressing in France, and at a fete held in Paris, and attended by the leading hairdressing experts, an important statement was made on the prevailing short-hair mode for women. Sentence of death was passed upon shaven necks and the fashion known there as "a la garconne," but it will not take effect before the winter. Then, the hairdressing artists tell us, a new fashion will be introduced. Women will wear their hair down to the base of the neck, and it will be waved. The ears will be free. Innovations will be permitted, however. A fan of soft hair serving as an aureole for the nape of the neck has been indicated. Elegant women who did not hesitate to sacrifice their hair will be compelled to wear

Although rumours persist that in Paris the hair is being worn long, it is evident that the bob still rules triumphant in the feminine world. It is bobbed in new lines, of course, but still, while few members of the younger set are letting their hair grow, the greater numbers are submitting to the shears regularly.

Bobbed hair, to give the most becoming lines to the face, is generally shingled along individual taste. There is no particular method of bobbing the hair. The so-called "boyish bob" has passed into the background along with the elaborate shingle, "dutch cut," and other haircuts that did not always suit the person who merely followed in the line of least resistance.

The hair to-day is shingled—but shingled to give each face its best frame. No longer does the smartly groomed miss accept the bob that "everyone" is wearing; instead she demands a coiffure that suits her face and the expression of her features.

This fact is evidenced in the lack of "points" seen at the back of the neck, and the failure to observe ringlets unbecomingly to the serious or too round face. The very thin face that cannot stand severe lines is no longer made less beautiful by a closely shingled clip, but is softened by a somewhat fluffy bob that gives importance to deep waves and carefully trained curls over the ear.

In general, it has been noted that there is a tendency to feature bobs that veil their identity in a coiffure that is waved and swirled to appear as though it were worn long.

New types of waves play an extremely important part in the new coiffure. In general the wave is seen. It appears in soft and very wide and loose lines, but is usually given to accentuate a feminizing influence.

There are many methods of wearing the hair in the new manner. It may be parted in the centre and loosely waved back to give the appearance of long hair, or it may be parted on the side and softly waved

wigs, and the hairdressers are now preparing them. The wig, we are told, will be much in vogue at evening parties. Parisian women will be able to choose between a silk head-dress ornamented with several curls and the "calotte" of silver hair formerly worn by French marchionesses.

and curled to give fullness about the ears. The lines about the forehead are generally softened. Sometimes an entire head is softly curled in a decidedly feminine fashion.

Billie Dove, whose hair is always smartly shingled, follows lines that best display the piquancy of her features. It is softened about the face while at one side ringlets add variety to the hairdress. In her newest First National film, "The Tender Hour," Miss Dove wears her hair bobbed in an interesting and highly becoming manner.

THE CHELSEA TIE.

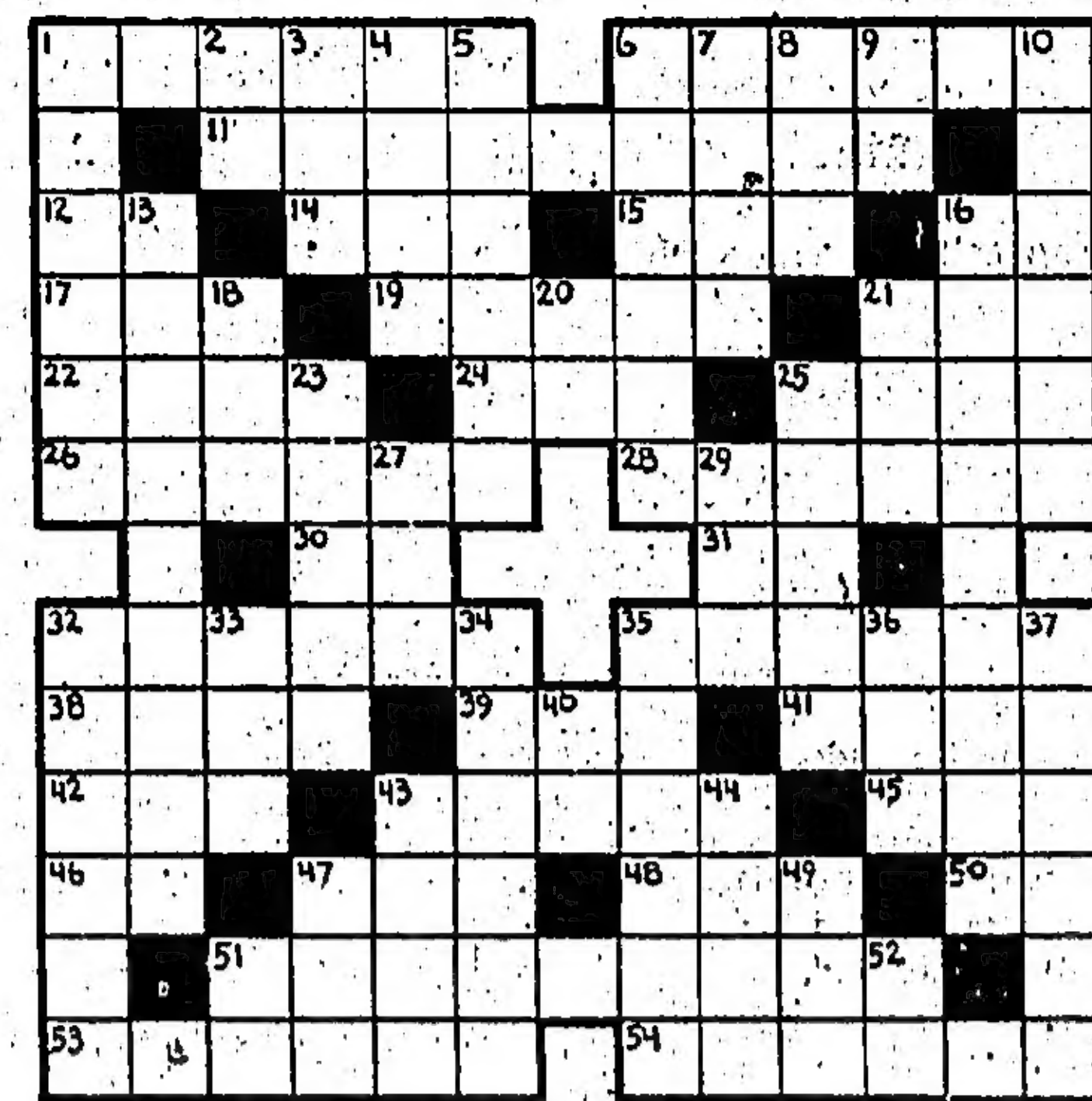
Scarves, which have played such an important part in summer dress for the past three years, will, it was foreshadowed at the Drapery Exhibition, be superseded this summer by ties worn as they are in Chelsea, with huge open ends. Although the scarf fashion, which has had a long run, will still have its uses this year, the Chelsea tie has caught on immediately and will, it is thought, be widely followed. The "spot" ties, the most fashionable, have a navy or other dark background and spot design, and the wide ends reach to the waist. A useful ornament has been introduced in the "scarf holder" to secure the flapping ends of a tie or scarf where desired. It is a horn brooch made sufficiently convex to allow room for the material, and cut and coloured to resemble a butterfly, scarab, rose, or some such design. The vogue for bath work on scarves has given place to a fashion in which beautiful "shadow" designs are achieved by means of hand dyeing.

NEW STOCKINGS.

It seems rather curious to notice that stockings with coloured rings, such as are seen in very old photographs, are coming in again; but the old fashion was ugly, whereas the new is very attractive (says the "Manchester Guardian.") The difference between the two appears to be in formation of the rings, which in the old stockings were broad bands of colour between equal bands of white. The new stockings have both broad and narrow rings, and the surface between the two is broken up by fancy stitching. This season's stockings

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Revers
- 6-Comfort
- 11-Training
- 12-Man's name (abbr.)
- 14-God (Latin)
- 15-Suffix used to denote an agent
- 16-The Keystone State (abbr.)
- 17-Deavour
- 18-Robbed
- 21-Rail
- 22-Native of Scotland
- 24-Feline quadruped
- 25-Weight of container
- 26-Even if
- 28-Loud, abrupt sounds
- 30-Not any
- 31-Within
- 32-Fix enamel by heating and cooling
- 35-Sets out
- 36-To burn
- 39-Reverential fear
- 41-Part of the body
- 42-Endeavor

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 43-Sign
- 45-Dign
- 46-Railway (abbr.)
- 47-Hall (Latin)
- 49-To crown
- 50-Point of the compass (abbr.)
- 51-Mountain in Italy
- 53-Hidden
- 54-Envoy

VERTICAL

- 1-Freshet
- 2-Myself
- 3-To amplify
- 4-Obligations
- 5-Scottish
- 6-Slander poles to walk on
- 7-River in France
- 8-A nephew of Abraham
- 9-One
- 10-Avoids
- 12-Mechanical appliances

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 18-Division
- 19-Abs
- 20-On account (abbr.)
- 21-Counter where drinks are served
- 22-One who tunes an instrument
- 23-Parting to tones
- 27-Gazelle of Tibet
- 28-Nothing
- 32-Parting to the stars
- 33-No
- 34-Mourn
- 35-Strip of graphite
- 36-Used in wood
- 38-Negative adverb
- 37-Excal air violently through the nose
- 40-You and I
- 43-Klin
- 44-Seabird
- 47-Initiate
- 49-Wooden pin
- 51-On
- 52-A continent (abbr.)

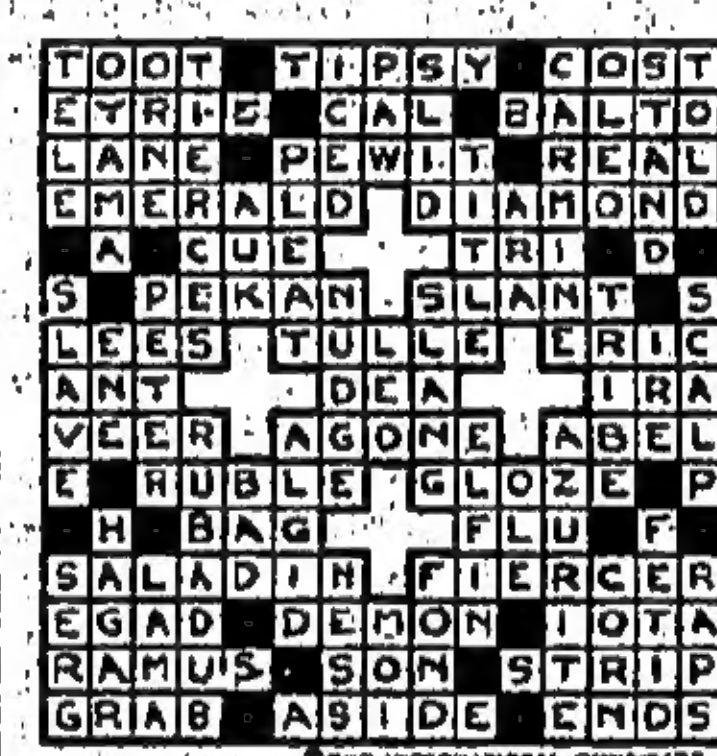
SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

are to be more elaborate than ever, and many of the newer ones have intricate patterns worked upon them. They should be a welcome change from the thin artificial silk stockings in various shades of pink which have been popular for so long. Black stockings show no signs of a return to favour, and with such a choice of pretty colours and patterns it would be really difficult to select black. The discovery of artificial silk has, of course, made a big difference to the stocking knitters, and it seems to have enlarged their ideas, as so many new combinations of colours are seen in the stockings designed for wear in the spring.

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

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Because his team had been beaten in the match for the championship of France, a young French Rugby player shot himself at Lezignan.

The building of Messrs. J. E. Morse & Co., tea merchants, Halifax, N.S., was destroyed by fire, the estimated loss being £170,000, including damage to tea valued at \$40,000.

Samuel Palmer's water-colour, "Carting the Wheat," which is on view at the Cotswold Gallery, Frith Street, Soho, has been purchased by the Felton Bequest for the National Gallery, Melbourne.

Fire gutted the assembly works and finishing shops at the Douglas Motor Works, Kingswood, Bristol. Four thousand completed machines were destroyed, and the damage is estimated at early £200,000.

A memorial was presented to Mr. Churchill on behalf of the clubs of the country praying for a reduction in the Beer Duty, which now stands at £4 per standard barrel, compared with 7s. 9d. in pre-war days.

Financial secretary of the Yorkshire Miners' Association, Mr. Joseph Hall, appeared at Doncaster for loyalty, stating that only 50 per cent. of Yorkshire miners were now paying into the funds of the Association.

It is claimed that Lieut. Demougeot, of the French Navy, beat the world's altitude record for seaplanes. Leaving Sartrovilla at 1.21 in the afternoon, Lieut. Demougeot came down at 3.34 p.m., having reached a height of over nine thousand metres (29,527 feet).

Andrew Carney, who was committed at Carlisle for breaking and stealing, criticised the Borstal where he had been sent, and said that the treatment was all that could be desired, but it was not reforming, as the atmosphere reeked with crime in its formed and unformed state.

Three fox cubs, a week old, were found in the Carrock Fells, the first litter reported in Lakeland.

A black tom cat has killed 100 chickens out of 150 belonging to Mr. J. B. Calvert, of Owston-ferry, Doncaster.

Rescued more dead than alive from a Scarborough fire, a cat was subjected to artificial respiration by one of the firemen and recovered.

Mr. Justice Eve, in the Chancery Division.—A man with an artistic temperament is the worst kind of business man—except a musical gentleman.



Mr. Roy A. Haynes, who has been serving as liaison officer between the prohibition unit and reform organisations, has been appointed "acting prohibition commissioner," in charge of the newly created Bureau of Prohibition. Haynes' appointment was unexpected, there having been a strong fight made against it. The appointment, however, is regarded as a victory for the Anti-Saloon League.

Cambridge won the Inter-University golf match by 9 games to 6.

Listening-in is to be allowed in the London County Council elementary Schools every Friday from three p.m.

The plague of moles in Baden is so great that the Local Authorities are paying 15 pfennings (1½d.) for each dead mole produced to them.

The police of Gulladuff Station, South Londonderry, discovered in Mayogall graveyard a potent distillery apparatus. The owners escaped, but the apparatus was seized.

In the present state of the country's finances, Mr. Baldwin said in the House of Commons it was impossible to entertain any suggestion for the establishment of a national opera house.

A fourteen-seater Handley-Page Napier air liner of Imperial Airways was converted into an aerial ambulance to carry a woman suffering from a spinal complaint from Paris to London.

Miss Fay Marbe, the American actress, was awarded by the jury £3,100 damages in her action against G. Edwards (Daly's Theatre) Ltd.—£3,000 for injury to her reputation through not being allowed to act in "Yvonne" at Daly's Theatre, and £100 in respect of libel. Judgment was reserved until certain points of law are argued at a future date.

British film production has received an unexpected and significant recruit in Mr. Gordon Craig, the famous son of Miss Ellen Terry. Mr. Craig in June next will open a film studio at Genoa, and will install himself there with a little family of film players and technicians in order to realise in screen form a number of striking dramatic conceptions, the nature of which remains a secret.

Mr. Justice Greer relieved from further service a London architect who was a member of the jury before whom a building trade dispute is being tried. That there was something unfair in the architect being on the jury would be the last idea that would occur to any reasonable person, the judge said, but persons engaged in litigation were not always as reasonable as they should be.

In connection with the total eclipse of the sun—the first visible in Britain for 200 years, the London and North-Eastern Railway have issued a booklet founded upon information supplied by the British Astronomical Association giving details of the eclipse and the area across Northern England where observation will be complete. The booklet includes an interesting map in colours, and can be obtained post free on application at any L.N.E.R. enquiry office.

Asked whether legislation would be introduced to raise the legal age of marriage in view of the evils indicated by the League of Nations' Committee, Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, in the House of Commons said that there was no ground for thinking that such abuses occurred in Britain. Last year he almost brought in a bill to deal with the problem of the age of consent being 16 while the age of marriage was 12, but he had found that it was terribly difficult.



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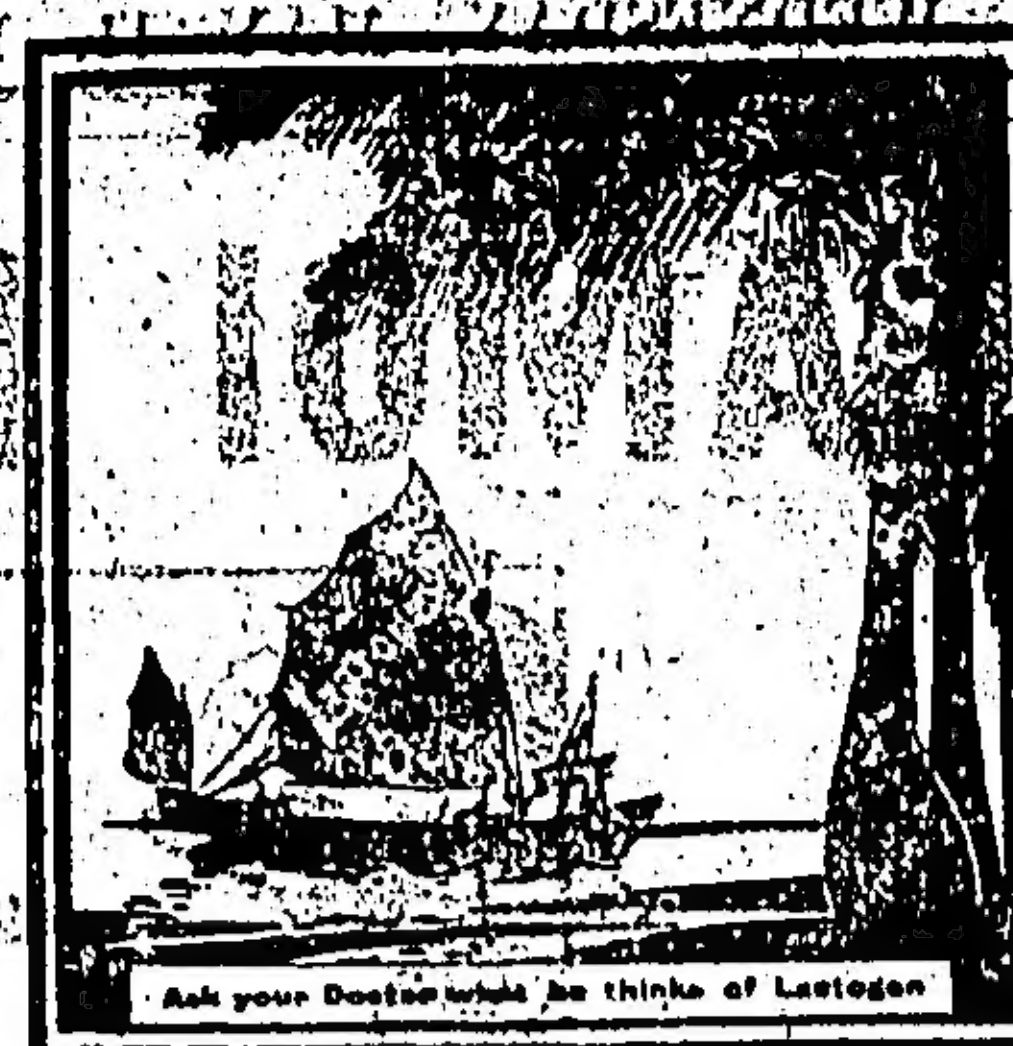




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| Parcels                                                                                                                                             | 5 p.m.         | 5 p.m.        |
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| SATURDAY, MAY                                                                                                                                       | 14             |               |
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| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles due Marseilles 17th June. Registration 4.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. | 17             |               |
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### FAMILY DISPUTE.

#### Was Property Left in Hong Kong?

#### SUPREME COURT EVIDENCE.

One of the concubines of the wealthy Chinese, Loo Kau, whose estate forms the subject of a Supreme Court action, was cross-examined at length this morning as to her knowledge of the family dispute concerning the division of property.

The case is one in which Loo Kwong-lam and Loo Kwong-hing claim the annulment of a mortgage for \$400,000 on the grounds that they were "infants" at the time of the execution and can not therefore be held liable.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellett), together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, were for the plaintiffs; Mr. F. C. Jenkin instructed by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Johnson Stokes and Master) was for the defendants.

At the time of her marriage, the first witness stated in answer to Mr. Jenkin's cross-examination, she became the seventh concubine, being married at the age of nineteen. Witness was cross-examined as to her acquaintance with the parties to the dispute. She denied that she was mainly responsible for the bringing up of the two plaintiffs or that on the occasion to visits to Hong Kong she saw the parties to any of the dispute.

Witness Professes Ignorance. Asked if she knew anything of the discussion between the family as to the old man's estate when he died, witness said that she did not know of such or that the sixteen sons were making any kind of claim in respect of the deceased's Hong Kong estate.

Witness admitted that Loo Kwong-wai had lived in the "principal house" at Macao for some years whilst she was there but denied all knowledge of his having brought an action in the Courts of Hong Kong in regard to Loo Kau's estate. That was the first time she had heard of it she claimed. She also denied knowledge of the fact that the division of property followed the settlement of this action.

Mr. Potter (for the plaintiffs) commented that it was the whole basis of the case that the existence of Hong Kong property belonging to Loo Kau had been bitterly disputed. The settlement had been merely an "act of grace" by the elder son who had not admitted the claim to property but had merely wished to promote peace in the family in regard to this matter.

The next witness called was a firewood seller of Honan whose sister had become the concubine of the deceased. Witness was cross-examined as to her age at the time and that of her sons.

Cross-examination is proceeding. Earlier Argument. Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Potter concluded his opening legal argument, holding that His Lordship could not assume there was misrepresentation because an "infant" was apparently described in the way an adult would be.

Dealing with the local law governing the age of a Chinese and non-Chinese, counsel referred to the statement of defence to the effect that the law of infancy in the Colony provided for the coming of age before the age of 21 and that, according to the customs of China, the defendants were of age at the time the mortgage was entered into.

Counsel went on to refer to local legal cases in which it was decided that this Colony enforced Chinese law as regards succession to property. It was admitted, said Mr. Potter, that the Crown expressly reserved to the Chinese, and to the Chinese only, their hereditary rights of property succession, and in Hong Kong there were two laws of succession to property, one for Chinese and the other for non-Chinese.

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It was almost impossible to believe that it was intended by local legislation that the Chinese should come of age at a different age to everyone else, and there was nothing in the Ordinance relied upon by the defence to suggest this. The age of 21, fixed in England as the coming of age time, was also applicable in this Colony. So far as he knew there was no local law to the contrary.

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